

# Extracts of the Minutes relating to the Arabick Impressions.

1722.

June 12. Min. 1.

The Committee considering of y<sup>e</sup> Reference about what further Steps may be advisable to be taken by the Society in Relation to the Impression of the New Testament and Psalter in Arabick; And upon comparing the Edition of the New Testament in Arabick by Erpenius with the Letter us'd in Printing Avicenna's Works in Arabick, and consulting M<sup>r</sup>. Negri thereon. The Committee are of Opinion that so much will be saved in the Expence of Paper & Binding, as will more than countervail the Charge of a New Font of Arabick Types, and that therefore it will be advisable for the Society to be at the Expence of a New Font of Arabick Types, after the Model of the Letter us'd in Avicenna's Works.

Min. 2.

Agreed that M<sup>r</sup>. Caslon the Engraver, recommended by M<sup>r</sup>. Guy to M<sup>r</sup>. Mayo, be desired to give his Company this Day Sennight in Order to be consulted hereon.

June 19. Min. 1.

M<sup>r</sup>. Caslon y<sup>e</sup> Letter Engraver attending without was call'd in, and after some conference with him and M<sup>r</sup>. Negri, the Committee agreed that he should make a Specimen of Letters to express the two first Words **Sas Elberd** in Avicenna's Works, Page 545. Line 6<sup>th</sup> of the same Dimensions as they are in that Book.

June 26. Min. 5.

M<sup>r</sup>. Caslon attending without was call'd in, and laid before the Committee a Specimen of the Arabick Letters he had prepar'd according to Order.

Min. 6.

M<sup>r</sup>. Negri being consulted thereon said there was two or three Faults in the first of the two Words, which being shown, M<sup>r</sup>. Caslon undertook to mend them ag<sup>t</sup>. y<sup>e</sup> next Meeting, so as to agree with the printed Copy.

July 3. Min. 1.

M<sup>r</sup>. Caslon attending without was call'd in, and laid before the Committee a Specimen of an Impression of nine different Arabick Types expressing eleven different Letters in the two Arabick Words of Page 545. Line 6 of Avicenna's Works.

Min. 2.

M<sup>r</sup>. Negri being consulted thereon said he thought the Types were very

well expressed, so as to answer the Size of the Letter used in Arabic &c.  
Mr. Negri also said that he believed about 300 different Types would be enough  
to make a compleat Font for the Impression of y<sup>e</sup> New Testament &c. in Ara.

Min. 5. Agreed that Mr. Negri prepare an Arabick Spelling Book at his  
leisure Hours, and that Mr. Watts and Mr. Dyck's English Spelling be  
be put into his Hands for his Direction as a Method so far as they may be  
useful.

July 10. Min. 4. Mr. Negri attending without was call'd in, and laid before the Commi.  
An Account of the Number of the Variety of Arabick Letters & Characters  
which he thinks will be necessary to print the Books design'd by the Soc.  
and that there were 313 different Letters and Characters, Examples of  
all which are to be found in Aricene's Works.

Min. 5. Agreed that Mr. Negri consider ag<sup>t</sup> this Day Sennight how many  
of those Letters & Characters may be spared without prejudicing the Imp<sup>y</sup>  
of the New Testament and Psalter.

Min. 6. Mr. Caslon attending without was call'd in and laid before the Commi.  
tee a Proposal upon what Terms he would be willing to undertake making  
a Font of Arabick Types of an English Body.

Min. 7. Mr. Caslon's Proposal for casting a New Font of Ara.  
Types.

Oct. 30<sup>th</sup>. Min. 16. Mr. Caslon laid before the Committee a Specimen of his Work  
towards a New Font of Arabick Types, and Mr. Negri being consult'd  
thereon, he said most of them were very well done, and that the rest of  
them would easily be mended to make them compleat.

Dec. 11. Min. 5. Mr. Hoare reported that the Auditors considering of the  
present State of the Impression of the New Testament &c. in Ara.  
find that the Sum of £. 146. — 6. has been paid to Mr. Negri,  
and that they recommend it to the Society to think of some Expedient  
to lessen that Expence for the future.

Min. 6. The Committee taking the same into their Consideration, and in Reg<sup>d</sup>  
of the great Pains Mr. Negri has taken in promoting the Undertak-  
ing from the Beginning of it, by writing in Favour of <sup>the Design</sup> it, and showing  
the Necessity of it by Solliciting Benefactions to it; Going to Oxford  
to transcribe the Psalter entirely from an Arabick Manuscript in  
the Bodleian Library; attending the making and casting about  
threescore new Arabick Letters by Mr. James to perfect the Poly-  
glott Matrices; And the making Punchcons and Matrices for another  
cut.

entire new Font of a larger Size by Mr. Caslon.

Min. 7. Agreed that Mr. Negri's Allowance of a Guinea a Week be continued for a Month longer, and that Mr. Mayo be desired to pay him four Guineas for the same.

Min. 8. Mr. Caslon attending without was called in, and acquainted the Committee that he had made a good Progress in the Punchions and Matrices for Arabick Types according to Contract, and that he should by & may next be able to finish all the Types. That Mr. Negri attended him generally twice a Week, and had enabled him to make more perfect the several Punchions in Arabick than he could have done from the Patterns in Arizon's Works.

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Jan. 8. Min. 6. Upon reading a Letter of this Day from Mr. Negri desiring some further Subsistence till he can be entered upon King's Establishment.

Min. 7. Agreed that Mr. Mayo be desired to pay Mr. Negri two Guineas.

Jan. 22. Min. 11. Upon reading a Letter of this Day from Mr. Caslon, making an Apology for the Delay of the Work he had undertaken, that he had then with sent a Specimen of his Work hitherto, and requests the Society would be pleased in Consideration of his great Expence, for necessary Tools for the Foundry to advance Twenty Guineas to enable him to finish the whole Work without engaging himself in other Business, to subsist his Family.

Min. 12. Agreed that Mr. Mayo be desired to advance Twenty Guineas to Mr. Caslon on Account of the Arabick Types he is preparing for the Service of the Society.

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Apr. 23. Min. 15. Order'd that Mr. Caslon be directed to dispatch the New Font of Arabick Types he is making with all the Expedition he can.

Apr. 30. Min. 3. Agreed that Mr. Caslon be directed to attend at the next Meeting of the Society at St. Pauls Chapter house with a fair Specimen of all the Arabick Letters and Characters that he has made.

Min. 9. Order'd that the Copy of Erpenius's New Testament in Arabick be sent to Mr. Caslon.

June 18. Min. 7. Mr. Thomas acquainted the Committee that if the Society should carry on their Impression of the New Testament & Psalter in Arabick at either of the Universities, they would be entitled to draw back from

from the Duty on Paper.

Min. 8. Agreed that the Society be put in Mind of this Information, when they engage in the Impression.

June. 25. Min. 3. The Committee considering Dr. Wotton's Letter of June 8<sup>th</sup>: Agreed that the Secretary write to Mons. Gagnier at Oxford, and to y<sup>e</sup> Society's Correspondents at Cambridge, to enquire what Assistance the Society may hope for from either of those Places in correcting the Impressions they about to make of the Psalter and N. Testament in Arabick.

Min. 9. Mr. Caslon attending without was called in, and laid before the Committee a Specimen of the New Arabick Letters he has made for the Society.

Min. 10. Mr. Negri attending without was called in, and desired to give his Opinion of the Letters made by Mr. Caslon: To which he answered that they were all very well, except 2 or 3. which he had objected to Mr. Caslon about, and he promised to rectify them.

July. 2. Min. 6. Agreed that the Rev. Mr. Bedford, Mr. Jones, Mr. Xerus, Mr. Negri and Mr. Caslon be desired to examine the new Letters made by Mr. Caslon and to give their Opinion of them to y<sup>e</sup> Society next Thursday, what Characters may be still wanting, and what are superfluous in the Specimen now laid before the Committee.

Min. 8. Agreed that Mr. Caslon be directed by Thursday next, to prepare an Impression of the first Verse of the first Psalm, and also a Line or two out of Avicenna's Works with the new Arabick Character he has made.

Min. 11. A Letter from Mr. Negri was read giving his Opinion of the Letters made by Mr. Caslon, <sup>and the</sup> ~~the same~~ <sup>was</sup> referred to the Gentlemen, to whom it is referred to consider of y<sup>e</sup> Specimen now laid before the Society.

Min. 12. Mr. Caslon also laid before the Committee, a new Specimen of Arabick Character he has made.

July 9<sup>th</sup>. Min. 4. Dr. Lisle laid before y<sup>e</sup> Committee three Copies of y<sup>e</sup> Psalter in Arabick from Aleppo, one of which was printed, being revised and corrected by y<sup>e</sup> Patriarch of Antioch, and the other two Copies were in MSS. one of which is in Folio, <sup>and</sup> the other in Octavo.

Min. 5. Agreed to consider of the said Copies this Day Sennight, and that Mr. Gratia Dadieli the Syrian Gentleman, newly come to England be desired to give his Company at the same Time.

Min. 6. Ordered that Mr. Caslon attend then with Specimens of the New Arabick Letters.

July 10<sup>th</sup>

- July 16. Min. 11. The Committee considering of the Impression of y<sup>e</sup> New Testament Psalter in Arabick, after debating on y<sup>e</sup> same,
- Min. 12. Agreed that D<sup>r</sup>. Lisle be desired to give his Company this Day Tennight in Order to take some Resolutions therein.
- July 23. Min. 8. M<sup>r</sup>. Chamberlaine communicated to y<sup>e</sup> Society an Account of M<sup>r</sup>. Dadichi's Travels through Europe, and the Occasion of his coming to England - And M<sup>r</sup>. Dadichi attending without was calld in with M<sup>r</sup>. Negri, and several Enquiries were made of them relating to y<sup>e</sup> Impression of y<sup>e</sup> Psalter in Arabick lately sent from Aleppo. And they both agreed that the Letters made by M<sup>r</sup>. Gaslon were for y<sup>e</sup> most Part very well made, but that there were some Defects in a few of them which could be soon rectify'd.
- Min. 9. M<sup>r</sup>. Gaslon and M<sup>r</sup>. Palmer attending without were calld in and y<sup>e</sup> Specimens of the Arabick Letters already made by M<sup>r</sup>. Gaslon being considerd by the Committee.
- Min. 10. Agreed that M<sup>r</sup>. Gaslon with all convenient Expedition make a compleat Alphabet according to y<sup>e</sup> Directions he has from M<sup>r</sup>. Negri.
- July 30. Min. 3. Upon reading a Letter from M<sup>r</sup>. Bedford of Newton St. Loe of y<sup>e</sup> 22. of July signifying his Thoughts upon several Orthographical Notes us'd by y<sup>e</sup> Arabians,
- Min. 4. Agreed that M<sup>r</sup>. Negri be desired to inform himself, whether y<sup>e</sup> Notes calld Aamsa, Teshdid, and Tanuin be found in Avicenna's Works, and in Case they are, that M<sup>r</sup>. Gaslon be directed to make them as soon as possible.
- Aug. 6. Min. 7. Upon reading y<sup>e</sup> Minutes of the 30. of July about y<sup>e</sup> Orthographical Notes used by the Arabians; M<sup>r</sup>. Negri and M<sup>r</sup>. Dadichi attending without were calld in, and gave their Opinion, that those Notes were not absolutely necessary to be us'd, that it does not appear they are once us'd in the Edition of Avicenna's Works, and that the Smallness of y<sup>e</sup> Letter made it Impracticable to use them.
- Aug. 13. Min. 7. Agreed that two Copies of a compleat Alphabet of Arabick Letters single & Compound with the Figures and Stops necessary to be us'd in printing y<sup>e</sup> Psalter and New Testament be fairly printed off by M<sup>r</sup>. Gaslon, to be put in y<sup>e</sup> Hands of M<sup>r</sup>. Negri and M<sup>r</sup>. Dadichi, in Order to their making a fair Transcript of y<sup>e</sup> Copy of y<sup>e</sup> Psalter &c. sent from Aleppo, agreeable to y<sup>e</sup> said Alphabet.
- Min. 8. Agreed that M<sup>r</sup>. Palmer be directed to compose & print y<sup>e</sup> Impression of y<sup>e</sup> Psalter &c. from y<sup>e</sup> Copies made by M<sup>r</sup>. Negri and M<sup>r</sup>. Dadichi.
- Aug. 27. Min. 10. The Committee considering of y<sup>e</sup> Volume, it might be most proper to print y<sup>e</sup> Arabick Psalter in; Agreed that it be printed in a Volume of y<sup>e</sup> same Size as y<sup>e</sup> least Copy sent from Aleppo, and that it be printed in long Lines without Columns with y<sup>e</sup> References on y<sup>e</sup> outward Margin. That the Verses of each Psalm be made

made to follow one another without any Break as is customary among y<sup>e</sup> Arabs  
& y<sup>e</sup> Number of each Verse to be plac'd in y<sup>e</sup> Inward Margin, as is done in Ex<sup>o</sup>  
New Testament.

Sept. 10. Min. 1. The Committee being inform'd that there are 13 Sheets and  $\frac{1}{2}$  and  $\frac{1}{2}$  a Page  
the lesser Copy of the Psalter sent from Aleppo

Min. 2. Agreed that M<sup>r</sup>. Dadichi be desir'd to signify what he will have for copy  
the Psalter in Arabick by Sheet, as computed from y<sup>e</sup> said Copy.

Min. 4. M<sup>r</sup>. Dadichi attending without, was call'd in, and a Copy of the Question  
being put into his Hand, he withdrew, and wrote an Answer in French, which  
being translated, is as follows.

Min. 5. "As there are in each Sheet sixteen Pages of very small Writing, and y<sup>e</sup> y<sup>e</sup>  
"Margins are very full of Quotations, I desire ten Shillings p<sup>r</sup> Sheet, or y<sup>e</sup> Sum  
"Seven Guineas for y<sup>e</sup> whole by y<sup>e</sup> Lump.

Sept. 17. Min. 8. M<sup>r</sup>. Caslon attending without was call'd in and laid before y<sup>e</sup> Committee a mini  
Alphabet of 344 different Arabick Letters single and compound. And ac  
quainted y<sup>e</sup> Committee that he would ~~attend~~ attend them this Day Evening  
with a printed Specimen.

Min. 9. M<sup>r</sup>. Caslon at y<sup>e</sup> same Time return'd y<sup>e</sup> Arabick Books lent to him.

Sept. 24. Min. 6. M<sup>r</sup>. Dadichi attending without was call'd in, and being ask'd whether he had  
further consider'd of the Terms on which he was willing to transcribe the Copy of  
Arabick Psalter: He answer'd he was willing to undertake Doing it for Six Gu  
if he might be allow'd Six Weeks Time to do it in.

Min. 7. The Committee agreed to M<sup>r</sup>. Dadichi's Offer, and desir'd him to give a  
Memorandum of y<sup>e</sup> same in Writing, which was accordingly done.

Oct. 1. Min. 9. The Committee considering of M<sup>r</sup>. Negri's Service in attending y<sup>e</sup> Committee  
M<sup>r</sup>. Caslon while he has been preparing y<sup>e</sup> Alphabet of Arabick Types,

Min. 10. Agreed that M<sup>r</sup>. Mayo, M<sup>r</sup>. Soley, M<sup>r</sup>. Witham, and M<sup>r</sup>. Tillard be desir'd  
confer with M<sup>r</sup>. Negri about y<sup>e</sup> Attendance he has given in y<sup>e</sup> Service of y<sup>e</sup> So  
ciety, since y<sup>e</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> of Jan<sup>y</sup> last, To which Time it appears he has been paid  
Guineas a Week for his Service.

Min. 11. M<sup>r</sup>. Mayo, M<sup>r</sup>. Soley, M<sup>r</sup>. Witham and M<sup>r</sup>. Tillard having accordingly  
ferred with M<sup>r</sup>. Negri, they reported that he assur'd them that to y<sup>e</sup> best of his Remem  
brance he attended M<sup>r</sup>. Caslon since Jan<sup>y</sup> last, at least once a Week, and sometime  
two or three Hours at a Time: That he sometimes attended there when M<sup>r</sup>.  
Caslon was not at Home, and every Time walk'd from his Lodgings in Chanc  
well to M<sup>r</sup>. Caslon's in y<sup>e</sup> Minorities.

Min. 12. Agreed that Twenty Guineas including 4 Guineas sent to him by M<sup>r</sup>. M<sup>r</sup>.  
be allow'd to M<sup>r</sup>. Negri for his said Attendance, and that he give an Acknow  
ledgement y<sup>e</sup> same is in full Satisfaction for his Attendance on y<sup>e</sup> Society

and Mr. Caslon, till Mr. Caslon has compleatly finish'd all y<sup>e</sup> Punches & Matrices for making Arabick Types.

Oct. 15. Min. 13. Mr. Caslon attending without was call'd in, and laid before y<sup>e</sup> Committee an Account of y<sup>e</sup> Number of each Arabick Letter in Six Pages of Expensive Copy of y<sup>e</sup> N. Testament in Arabick, and that he was now ready to begin the casting of Types for the Matrices, a Specimen of which he at the same Time laid before y<sup>e</sup> Committee.

Min. 14. Mr. Caslon being withdrawn, the Committee agreed that Mr. Mayo be desired to advance Ten Guineas in further Payment of Mr. Caslon for the Work he has undertaken.

Oct. 22. Min. 15. The Committee observing that there are several Explanatory Notes in y<sup>e</sup> Margin of y<sup>e</sup> MSS New Testament in Arabick, besides References to parallel Places.

Min. 16. Agreed that Mr. Dadichi be desired to translate those Notes into Latin before y<sup>e</sup> New Testament and the said Notes be order'd to be transcribed for y<sup>e</sup> Press.

Min. 17. Agreed that Mr. Dadichi be desired to translate into Latin, the Titles of y<sup>e</sup> several Things contain'd in y<sup>e</sup> Arab. MSS beside Scripture.

Oct. 28. Min. 4. Mr. Dadichi laid before y<sup>e</sup> Committee a Translation into Latin of all y<sup>e</sup> Discourses &c. bound up with y<sup>e</sup> New Testament in Arabick sent from Aleppo.

Min. 11. An Estimate of y<sup>e</sup> Charge of Printing y<sup>e</sup> N. Testament and Psalter in Arabick.

Nov. 7. Min. 11. Upon reading y<sup>e</sup> Minutes of y<sup>e</sup> Committee y<sup>e</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> Nov. concerning y<sup>e</sup> Patriarch of Antioch's Preface to y<sup>e</sup> Psalms.

Min. 12. The Society agreed with y<sup>e</sup> Committee that y<sup>e</sup> Name of Diocletian be omitted in y<sup>e</sup> Preface. And also y<sup>e</sup> that Part of y<sup>e</sup> Preface relating to y<sup>e</sup> printing in Columns be considered before it is printed.

Nov. 12. Min. 4. Agreed that y<sup>e</sup> Words of y<sup>e</sup> Arabick Preface expressing that y<sup>e</sup> Impression is in 2. Columns be omitted, and y<sup>e</sup> Preface be adapted to such Directions as shall be given by y<sup>e</sup> Society.

Min. 16. Order'd 6 Guineas to Mr. Dadichi for the Copy of y<sup>e</sup> Psalter: And another Guinea for his extraordinary Service for Translation.

Nov. 19. Min. 2. Dr. Waddington reported that he had perus'd y<sup>e</sup> further Translation of y<sup>e</sup> Marginal Notes in y<sup>e</sup> Arabick N. Testament, and thinks they are very good Notes.

Min. 4. Agreed that a certain Number (to be fix'd at another Meeting) of Copies of y<sup>e</sup> Psalter and New Testament in Arabick, be printed on fine Royal Paper for Presents for Benefactors and others.

Min. 6. Agreed that Mr. Brewer send in three Specimens of Paper to Mr. Palmer, to be printed on both Sides with Arabick, in Order to judging

which may be most proper for the Society's Use.

Dec. 3. Min. 15. Mr. Dadichi acquaints y<sup>e</sup> Committee that he would be content with y<sup>e</sup> same Allowance for correcting Arabick by y<sup>e</sup> Shet as is usually allowed to Correctors of y<sup>e</sup> Hebrew.

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Jan. 2. Min. 2. Order'd that Mr. Palmer prepare a compleat Alphabet of y<sup>e</sup> Arabick Types made by Mr. Caslon.

Jan. 14. Min. 4. Mr. Mayo acquainting y<sup>e</sup> Committee that he had consulted y<sup>e</sup> Printer and an eminent Bookseller about y<sup>e</sup> properest Size for printing y<sup>e</sup> Arabick Psalter in - - - The Committee considering thereof.

Min. 5. Agreed that 6000 Copies of y<sup>e</sup> Psalter be printed on a Crown Paper without Notes, in y<sup>e</sup> Size of y<sup>e</sup> Page used in <sup>printing</sup> Lxxviii N. Testament in Arabick; and that Mr. Mayo be desired to provide Specimens of Crown Paper for them against next Meeting.

Min. 6. Agreed that a Number of Copies be printed with Notes on Demy Paper lately bought by y<sup>e</sup> Society.

Min. 7. A Motion being made to print a Number of Copies in Folio for the Use of y<sup>e</sup> Churches in Palestine.

Min. 8. Agreed that it be referred to Mr. Mayo to advise with his Friends about y<sup>e</sup> properest Paper for an Impression in Folio.

Jan. 28. Min. 17. Several Specimens of y<sup>e</sup> Impression of y<sup>e</sup> first half Sheet of y<sup>e</sup> Arabick Psalter in 8.<sup>vo</sup> on Crown Paper, and 12.<sup>mo</sup> on Demy Paper without Notes were laid before y<sup>e</sup> Committee.

Min. 18. Agreed that a Specimen of an Impression in 8.<sup>vo</sup> on Demy with Notes be prepar'd ag<sup>t</sup> this Day Sunnight.

Feb. 4. Min. 1. Mr. Mayo reported that Mr. Caslon's Account being examin'd it appears that y<sup>e</sup> Society are not oblig'd by their Contract with him to take y<sup>e</sup> Arabick Punchions from him, but y<sup>e</sup> Matrices y<sup>e</sup> Society may take when y<sup>e</sup> casting Work is done, at y<sup>e</sup> Price mention'd in his Account. That Mr. Caslon having receiv'd more Money than he has sent in Types to Mr. Palmer, it may be advisable to accept of y<sup>e</sup> Punchions as a Pledge at the Price he has charg'd, till he has sent in Types equivalent to y<sup>e</sup> Money advanced.

Min. 2. Agreed that Mr. Caslon be desired to make a Bill of Sale of the Matrices and Molds to y<sup>e</sup> Committee for Receipts and Payments; and another Bill of Sale for y<sup>e</sup> Punchions he has made, at such Price as ~~he and~~ <sup>the</sup> Committee can agree upon.

Min. 3. Agreed that Mr. Hastings and Mr. Thomas be desired to join with the Committee for Receipts and Payments in adjusting y<sup>e</sup> Sail of y<sup>e</sup> <sup>said</sup> Punchions and Matrices, and to report to the Committee their Opinion thereon.

Min. 4.

Min. 5.

Agreed that it be refer'd to Mr. Mayo and Mr. Thomas to confer with Mr. Palmer the Printer about the properest Paper for printing of Arabick Psalter on with and without Notes, and in what Volume.

Min. 7.

The Secretary reported that D.<sup>r</sup> Lisle had Advice of a Second Copy of the New Testament sent from Aleppo, which he hop'd to be able in a short Time to lay before y<sup>e</sup> Society.

Min. 15.

Mr. Palmer signify'd that y<sup>e</sup> Charge of overrunning or altering half a Sheet in Arabick from one Size to another is one half of the Charge of composing.

Feb. 16. Min. 16.

Mr. Mayo reported that Mr. Thomas and he had consider'd of y<sup>e</sup> Reference of y<sup>e</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> Surant, concerning y<sup>e</sup> properest Size or Volume for the Arabick Psalter, and that they had agreed to recommend it to y<sup>e</sup> Society as their Opinion, to print the Arabick Psalter in an Octavo Volume on Crown Paper and Demy Paper: That the Crown Paper be full charg'd without References, and that the Demy Paper have y<sup>e</sup> References at the Bottom of each Page.

Min. 17.

The Society considering thereof agreed to the same.

Min. 18.

Order'd that Mr. Palmer be desir'd to attend Mr. Mayo next Saturday Morning for Directions to prepare a Specimen accordingly.

Feb. 18. Min. 2.

Mr. Bedford observing that the Name of GOD was express'd by a Character much less than the other Letters, and disproportionate to others, that it seem'd very unsightly.

Min. 3.

Mr. Dadichi being consulted thereon, the Committee were satisfy'd it ought to be alter'd.

Min. 4.

Agreed that Mr. Bedford be desir'd to give Directions to Mr. Caslon to make a new Punchon to express y<sup>e</sup> Character for y<sup>e</sup> Name of GOD as it ought to be in Proportion to the other Letters and Characters.

Min. 6.

The Committee considering of a Specimen of English Crown Paper from Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Hoole and Brewer at 8/6 p<sup>r</sup> Beam perfect for printing y<sup>e</sup> Arabick Psalter upon.

Min. 7.

Agreed that Mr. Bedford and Mr. Tillard be desir'd to agree with Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Hoole and Brewer for 100 Beam of the said Paper at the lowest Price they can afford it.

Min. 8.

Agreed that Mr. Soley, Mr. Negri and Mr. Dadichi be consulted about the Number of Copies proper to be printed for the Use of y<sup>e</sup> Churches in Palestine, and in what Volume.

Feb. 25. Min. 7.

Mr. Dadichi attending without was call'd in, and laid before the Committee a Proof of the first half Sheet of y<sup>e</sup> Psalter in Arabick,

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Arabic with some Amendments to it, and that the same had been ready for the Printer a Fortnight.

Min. 8. Agreed that the Proofs and Corrections be sent to Mr. Palmer, that he be desired to send a copy of y<sup>e</sup> same when reprinted and corrected to Mr. Bedford, and another to Mr. Dadichi.

Min. 11. Mr. Tillard reported that Mr. Bedford, Mr. Thomas and himself had been at Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Hoole and Brewer the Stationers, and had agreed for 100 Ream of English Crown Paper at 8/6 p<sup>r</sup> Ream perfect, according to the Specimen marked by Mr. Mayo the 19<sup>th</sup> of Feb. And that they had directed him to send y<sup>e</sup> Paper to Mr. Palmer.

Min. 12. Mr. Dadichi observing that there are Letters with Ligatures wanting in the Proof sent to him. viz<sup>t</sup>  $\frac{1}{2}$  Cgh.

Min. 13. Agreed that Mr. Gaslon be desired to prepare a Punchon and Matrices to cast y<sup>e</sup> same with all Expedition.

March 3. Min. 9. Mr. Bedford moved that the Correction of the Arabic Proofs from the Press might be prosecuted in the following Manner, viz<sup>t</sup> After Mr. Dadichi has corrected a Proof so as to be ~~fallible~~ <sup>agree with</sup> the copy sent from Aleppo; that then Proofs so corrected be sent one to Mr. Bryan, another to Mr. Jones, and a third to himself, and that when they have made their Remarks, he will undertake to collect all their Remarks, and see the Printer correct the Proofs accordingly.

Min. 10. The Committee considering of this Motion, agreed that the same y<sup>e</sup> Method of proceeding in correcting y<sup>e</sup> Press.

Min. 11. The Committee considering that the Fund for y<sup>e</sup> Arabic Impressions might not be sufficient to answer y<sup>e</sup> Number of Copies of New Testament as well as the Psalter.

Min. 12. Agreed that y<sup>e</sup> Resolution formerly made of printing 6000 Copies in Crown be reduced, and that y<sup>e</sup> Number of Copies be as follows.

4500.	Copies on Crown without Notes.
1500.	On Demy with Notes.
250.	On large Paper with Notes.
<u>6250.</u>	

Min. 13. The Committee being informed that much Time was lost to y<sup>e</sup> Arabic Printer by y<sup>e</sup> Delay occasioned for Want of <sup>one or</sup> more ~~Letters~~ <sup>Types</sup> to compleat y<sup>e</sup> Font of Letters.

Min. 14. Agreed that it be finally left to Mr. Bedford and Mr. Dadichi to give such Directions for making <sup>so many</sup> new Arabic Letters with ligatures as they upon consulting Mr. Palmer and Mr. Gaslon shall find necessary.

Min. 17. Agreed that 100 Copies extraordinary of the first half Sheet of y<sup>e</sup> Psalter be printed for Presents to Benefactors.

Min. 18. Agreed that M<sup>r</sup>. Bedford be desired to put y<sup>e</sup> M.S. Copy of y<sup>e</sup> Psalter in 8.<sup>vo</sup> sent from Aleppo into M<sup>r</sup>. Bryan's Hands to correct the Proofs by as they are sent to him.

March. 5. Min. 7. M<sup>r</sup>. Bedford reported that he had conferred with M<sup>r</sup>. Jones about assisting in correcting y<sup>e</sup> Arabic Proofs from y<sup>e</sup> Press after M<sup>r</sup>. Dadihi, and desired to know what Consideration he would expect for his Trouble.

That M<sup>r</sup>. Jones said, he wished his Circumstances would permit him to present y<sup>e</sup> Society with his Labour in the Work; but that he would be content with 2 ff Sheet for correcting after M<sup>r</sup>. Dadihi.

That he had also conferred with M<sup>r</sup>. Bryan, and he was willing to revise y<sup>e</sup> Proofs after they were finally corrected, and that he <sup>was willing to</sup> present y<sup>e</sup> Society with his Labour therein.

Min. 8. Agreed that the Method of sending the Arab. Proofs mentioned in y<sup>e</sup> Minutes of March 3.<sup>d</sup> be altered as to M<sup>r</sup>. Bryan's Part, that he have y<sup>e</sup> Proofs after M<sup>r</sup>. Jones and M<sup>r</sup>. Bedford's Remarks are comply'd with by y<sup>e</sup> Printer: And that the Thanks of y<sup>e</sup> Society be given to M<sup>r</sup>. Bryan for his kind offer to assist y<sup>e</sup> Society gratis on this Occasion.

Min. 9. Agreed that 2 ff Sheet be allow'd to M<sup>r</sup>. Jones according to his Offer of assisting in correcting y<sup>e</sup> Arab. Proofs.

Min. 10. Agreed that Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Hoole, and Brower be desired to send Specimens of their Royal Paper to y<sup>e</sup> next Committee for y<sup>e</sup> 250 Copies design'd for Presents.

Min. 11. The Society being inform'd of some Objections to the Contents of y<sup>e</sup> Psalms, and y<sup>e</sup> great Expence that will be sav'd by omitting them in all y<sup>e</sup> Copies where y<sup>e</sup> Parallel places are left out.

Min. 12. Agreed that the 4500 Copies of y<sup>e</sup> Psalter on Crown Paper be printed without y<sup>e</sup> Contents of y<sup>e</sup> Psalms. without, were call'd in 8

Mar. 10. Min. 5. M<sup>r</sup>. Brower and M<sup>r</sup>. Palmer attending, laid before y<sup>e</sup> Committee Specimens of Royal Paper one at 3 L. ff Cream. and another at 30 ff Cream.

Min. 6. Agreed that y<sup>e</sup> Royal Paper of 3 L. ff Cream be y<sup>e</sup> Paper us'd in printing the 250 Copies design'd for Presents.

Min. 7. Order'd that M<sup>r</sup>. Dadihi's Transcript of y<sup>e</sup> Psalms in Arabic, be put into y<sup>e</sup> Hands of M<sup>r</sup>. Bedford, and that he deliver out y<sup>e</sup> Sheets to y<sup>e</sup> Printer as they are wanted.

Min. 8. A Motion was made to desire M<sup>r</sup>. Dadihi to transcribe y<sup>e</sup> Decalogus in Arabic, as sent over from Aleppo; to be consider'd of at next Meeting.

March 17. Min. 11. The Committee considering of M<sup>r</sup>. Dadihi's <sup>Service</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> Society since he

he was gratify'd y<sup>e</sup> 12 Nov<sup>r</sup> last.

Min. 12.

Agreed that two Guineas be allow'd to him as a Gratuity for his Attendance from y<sup>e</sup> 12 of Nov<sup>r</sup> to this Day: And that a Crown a Sheet or half a Crown for half a Sheet be allow'd to him for his correcting the Arabick Proofs as they come from the Press, and for his Attendance at the Society or their Committee as Occasion requires, and that the Secretary take a Note from him accordingly.

Min. 13.

M<sup>r</sup> Dadichi attending without was call'd in, and acquainted the Resolution of the Committee, which he readily agreed to.

Min. 16.

M<sup>r</sup> Bedford acquainting the Committee that he being engag'd a Service consistent with his serving the Society as a Supervisor of Arabick Impressions, he desir'd the Society would from this Time except his Service Gratis.

Min. 17.

The Committee unanimously desir'd M<sup>r</sup> Bedford to accept the Thanks for his kind Intentions.

Min. 18.

M<sup>r</sup> Bedford being withdrawn the Committee consider'd of a Gratuity to him for his Assistance of y<sup>e</sup> Society for about 7 Weeks past in Supervising the Arabick Impressions.

Min. 19.

Agreed that M<sup>r</sup> Bedford be desir'd to accept a Gratuity of 5 Guineas for his Trouble and Assistance since he came to London, the Purpose abovemention'd.

Min. 24.

M<sup>r</sup> Mayo's Report of y<sup>e</sup> Account settl'd between y<sup>e</sup> Society and M<sup>r</sup> Caslon.

Min. 25.

Agreed that when y<sup>e</sup> Punchcons and Matrices mention'd in the Account are deliver'd to y<sup>e</sup> Society's Secretary, M<sup>r</sup> Mayo be desir'd to pay M<sup>r</sup> Caslon 39: 19: 9. in full for what remains due to him.

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Mar. 31. Min. 8.

M<sup>r</sup> Dadichi attending without was call'd in, and acquainted y<sup>e</sup> Committee that he had consider'd of y<sup>e</sup> Terms for transcribing y<sup>e</sup> New Testament, and Marginal Notes in Arabick, and that he is willing undertake doing it for 40 Guineas.

Min. 9.

Agreed that M<sup>r</sup> Dadichi's Offer be accepted, and that the Secretary prepare a Note of the Terms M<sup>r</sup> Dadichi offers to transcribe y<sup>e</sup> New Testament for, to be Sign'd by M<sup>r</sup> Dadichi, and that a Number of y<sup>e</sup> Copies be deliver'd to him for that Purpose.

Min. 11.

A Motion was made for applying to his Majesty for his Royal Bounty towards promoting the Impressions of the Psalter and New Testament in Arabick.

Min. 12.

Order'd that the Secretary attend the Bp. of London with the printed Extract of Letters relating to that Affair, and acquaint his Lordship with the Steps already taken, and desire his Lordship's good Office in recommending the same to his Majesty.

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April 7. Min. 2.

The Draught of a Memorandum for M.<sup>r</sup> Dadichi to sign for making an exact Copy of the New Testament and Psalter in Arabick, was laid before the Committee and read, and with an Amendment approved.

Min. 6.

Upon reading a Letter from M.<sup>r</sup> Palmer, of Yesterday, desiring it may be recommended to the Society to consider of his extraordinary Attendance and Labour which was preparatory to the Arabick Impressions, and not included in his Contract:

Min. 7.

Agreed that it be refer'd to the Committee for Receipts and Payments, and to M.<sup>r</sup> Bedford, to consider what may be proper for the Society to give M.<sup>r</sup> Palmer for the particulars mention'd in his Letter, and to report the same at the next Committee.

April 14 Min. 3.

It was reported from the Committee for Receipts and Payments, and from M.<sup>r</sup> Bedford, that they had consider'd of M.<sup>r</sup> Palmer's extraordinary Service, in the Arabick Impressions, not included in the Contract, and that it appear'd he had, in about 3. Years past, printed several Thousand Copies of the Decalogue in Arabick, and several Specimens, and several Hundred Alphabets of different Compositions computed at ———— 8.. 2.. 6.

8 Weeks spent in Composing and running over the first Sheet of the Psalter with and without Notes computed at ———— 8.. —.. —

A Ream of Paper ———— —.. 13.. 6

In all ———— £ 16.. 16..

And if the Society are dispos'd to take the Arabick Cases for the Types, which cost him 5.. £. they may have them at 4.. £.

Min. 4.

Agreed that M.<sup>r</sup> Mayo be desired to pay M.<sup>r</sup> Palmer 16. Guineas for the Services above mention'd. And that the Society will consider whether they shall take the Cases, when the Arabick Impressions of the Psalter and New Testament are compleat.

Min. 8.

M.<sup>r</sup> Joslon according to Minute of the 17.<sup>th</sup> March, laid before the Committee the Puncheons and Matrices, from which he made the New Font of Types, viz.<sup>t</sup>

355. Puncheons.

361. Matrices, 6 of them being cut upon the Copper, without the use of Puncheons.

Min. 9.

And the Committee being inform'd the Matrices would still be wanted by the Letter Founder for casting some more Types, as M.<sup>r</sup> Palmer should want them?

Min. 10.

The Committee agreed to lend the 361. Matrices to M.<sup>r</sup> Joslon, and that the same be deliver'd to him in a Trunk, he giving a Receipt for them.

Min. 11.

M.<sup>r</sup> Mayo reported that M.<sup>r</sup> Joslon's Bill deliver'd in to the Committee the 17.<sup>th</sup> March last, was encreas'd by several Articles of Letters Puncheons and Matrices sent in, so that the Balance now due to him was .. 17.. 4.. 6.

Min. 12.

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Agreed that M<sup>r</sup>. Mayo be desired to pay the same to M<sup>r</sup>. Foster.

April 21<sup>st</sup> Min. 8.

Upon reading a Letter from M<sup>r</sup>. Negri of the 19<sup>th</sup> Curr<sup>t</sup> giving his Opinion of the Necessity, but not absolute Necessity of the Use of the Orthographical Notes, in the Arabick Impressions call'd Teshdid, Hamza and Tanuin: And the Minutes of the 30<sup>th</sup> July and 6<sup>th</sup> August last, about the same Notes being read:

Min. 9.

The Committee reconsider'd the Reasons for and against the Use of them, and Order'd that the following Enquiry be made from all such Persons as can be consult. in and about London, viz<sup>t</sup>:

Whether the Arabick Dialter as now print'd without the Ortho-  
graphical Notes be legible by the Poor Inhabitants in Syria,  
Palestine &c.

April 28<sup>th</sup> Min. 6.

M<sup>r</sup>. Dadichi laid before the Committee 32. quarto Sheets of Copy of the Protogomena, and the first 12. Chapters of S<sup>t</sup>. Matthew's Gospel, an 4. quarto Sheets of the Marginal References, in all 36. Sheets.

Min. 7.

A Motion was made for preparing Materials for a Memorial concerning the Arabick Impressions to be laid before proper Persons for obtaining His Majesty's Favour to them.

May 5<sup>th</sup> Min. 6.

Agreed that the Minutes relating to the Enquiry about the Orthographical Notes in Arabick, of the 21<sup>st</sup> of April last, be brought forward till some Report is made thereon to the Society; And that a Copy thereof be sent to the Rever<sup>d</sup>. S<sup>r</sup>. Lisle, D<sup>r</sup>. Wilkins and M<sup>r</sup>. Soley, and their Opinion thereon desired.

Min. 7.

Agreed that M<sup>r</sup>. Palmer and his Man be desired to attend the Committee, next Tuesday, to acquaint them, whether they can print from the Aleppo Copies of the Arabick.

Min. 8.

A Draught of a Memorial relating to the Arabick Impressions was read, and after some Amendments it was agreed to refer it to the Consideration of the Lord Bp of Sodor and Man, for such other Alterations as his Lordship shall think fit.

May 12<sup>th</sup> Min. 4.

Upon reading a Letter from the Bishop of Sodor and Man, of the 7<sup>th</sup> May, with his Lordship's Opinion of a Draught of an Application to the Right Honable the Lord Viscount Townshend for his Lordship's good Offices towards obtaining His Majesty's Bounty for Encouraging the Arabick Impressions, the same was read, and some further Amendments being made:

Min. 2.

Agreed that a fair Copy of the Draught, above mentioned, be made, and that the Secretary attend the Lord Townshend with it, and with one Copy of the Arabick MSS. of the New Testament and Dialter, the printed Proposal, and the Specimen refer'd to in the Representation, and humbly beg his Lordship's Favour thereon.

Min. 3.

The Committee, again, pursuant to the Minutes of the 5<sup>th</sup> May, took into Consideration the Reasons for, and against the Use of the Orthographical

Notes, in the Arabic Impressions: and the Opinion of several Members, absent and present, being communicated to the Committee?

Min. 4. Agreed that the Impression of the Psalter be prosecuted without those Notes, the Sheets hitherto printed are.

Min. 7. The Committee resuming the Consideration of the Terms with M<sup>r</sup>. Dadichi for Transcribing the New Testament in Arabic, and he attending without was called in; And assuring the Committee that he had more fully considered the Labour, and that allowing for the large Contents, Notes, and Marginal References, it was, at least, ten Times as much as the Psalter, for which he had been paid 6. Guineas, but that he was willing to do it for 50. Guineas.

Min. 8. The Committee considering that the Printer and Compositor would have much more Trouble in Printing, from the Aleppo Copies, which would occasion a considerable Expence, besides the Trouble to the Correctors, and the Loss of one of the Aleppo Copies.

Min. 9. Agreed that 50. Guineas be allowed to M<sup>r</sup>. Dadichi for making a Fair Copy of the New Testament in Arabic, as sent from Aleppo, including the Contents, Marginal References, Annotations, and all the Indexes and Tables, with the Decalogue, at the Beginning and End of the said Copy: Omitting only all the Orthographical Notes that are in the said Copy. But if the Society shall hereafter think proper to have them inserted, that M<sup>r</sup>. Dadichi be obliged to insert them, as well as other Notes which shall be judged necessary by those who have the Care of Correcting the Proofs from the Press.

Min. 10. And that he sign a Memorandum of those Terms to be left in the Hands of M<sup>r</sup>. Mayo.

May 19<sup>th</sup> Min. 8. The Secretary reported that the Lord Viscount Townshend had been pleased to direct the Laying the Arabic MSS. of the New Testament and Psalter, yesterday, before the King. That His Majesty seem'd very well pleas'd with the Sight of them; and his Lordship had signify'd that His Majesty would encourage the Undertaking.

Min. 9. Agreed that the Secretary wait upon the Right Hon<sup>ble</sup> M<sup>r</sup>. Walpole with the Arabic Manuscripts, together with the printed Historical Account & Specimens, and to acquaint him with what has been done by the Lord Townshend.

Min. 10. An Account of further Expences by M<sup>r</sup>. Carlson for engraving 7. Steel Punches and Matrices, and casting 47. l. of Arabic Letters amounting to 6. 18. 6. was laid before the Committee.

Min. 11. Agreed that M<sup>r</sup>. Mayo be desired to pay the same.

May 26<sup>th</sup> Min. 2. The Secretary reported that he had waited on M<sup>r</sup>. Walpole, last Tuesday, according to the Order of the Committee of last Meeting, and that he was pleas'd to say he should go out of Town next Day to spend about 10. Days, and when he return'd he would consider what was proper to be done upon the matter recommended to him.

Min. 8. Order'd that the M<sup>s</sup>. Copy of the New Testament, in Arabic, be sent to M<sup>r</sup>. Dadichi to proceed in Transcribing it for the Press.

June 2<sup>d</sup> Min. 1. Order'd that the Secretary wait again on M<sup>r</sup>. Walpole, with the Request of the Society in Favour of the Arabic Impressions, when he Returns from the Country.

June 4. Min. 16.

The Society considering of the Service it might be to promote the Arabick Impressions in the best Manner; particularly by Using, or not Using the Orthographical Notes in the Impression of the New Testament, when that is ready to be printed.

Min. 17.

Agreed that D<sup>r</sup> Lisle be desired to write to M<sup>r</sup> Sherman upon such Points as shall be communicated to him, by M<sup>r</sup> Bedford from the Society; Or as he shall think convenient.

Min. 18.

Agreed that M<sup>r</sup> Bedford be desired to prepare a Draught of such a Letter, upon the Heads now suggested, against Tuesday next.

Min. 19.

Agreed that if D<sup>r</sup> Lisle be gone into the Country, it be refered to the Committee to give such further Directions, therein, as they shall think fit.

June 9<sup>th</sup>

Min. 12.

M<sup>r</sup> Bedford reported that he had waited on D<sup>r</sup> Lisle with the Request of the Society of last Thursday, about writing to M<sup>r</sup> Sherman, at Aleppo; and that he desired the Society would signify their Thoughts about the Orthographical Notes used in the Arabick MSS, sent from Aleppo, in their own Words, and then he would take Care to forward them.

Min. 13.

Ordered that the Secretary prepare a Letter, to M<sup>r</sup> Sherman, upon such Heads as were suggested by the Society, at their last Meeting, and by the Committee now.

Min. 14.

Agreed that it be finally refered to S<sup>r</sup> John Philipps and M<sup>r</sup> Dean Harris to approve of such a Letter when prepared by the Secretary; and that the same be then forwarded by the first Opportunity to Aleppo.

June 16<sup>th</sup>

Min. 4.

The Secretary reported that a Letter to M<sup>r</sup> Sherman was, according to Order last Meeting, prepar'd, and being approv'd of, by S<sup>r</sup> John Philipps and M<sup>r</sup> Dean Harris, was forwarded to Aleppo, by the Way of Marseilles: And that another Copy, of the same Letter, would be sent by the Way of Vienna and Constantinople by the next Post.

Min. 5.

A Copy of the Letter, being laid before the Committee, was read and approv'd.

Min. 6.

The Secretary laid before the Committee a 2<sup>d</sup> MSS Copy of the New Testament in Arabick, sent from Aleppo to D<sup>r</sup> Lisle; by M<sup>r</sup> Sherman, for the Use of the Society in the Impressions they are making.

Min. 7.

Ordered that the Thanks of the Society be sent to M<sup>r</sup> Sherman for the said Copy.

Min. 9.

The Secretary further reported that he had waited on M<sup>r</sup> Walpole with the Arabick MSS. of the Psalter and New Testament in Folio, and having acquainted him that the Lord Townshend had recommended them to His Majesty, M<sup>r</sup> Walpole was requested, in the Name of the Society, to favour the Kings Inclination towards encouraging the Impression of them: M<sup>r</sup> Walpole answered that whatever Direction His Majesty should be pleas'd to give should be comply'd with.

June 30<sup>th</sup>

Min. 2.

Upon reading a Letter from M<sup>r</sup> Palmer with an Account of the Charge of printing the first 6. Sheets of the Impression of the Psalter in Arabick with Marginal Notes, and 3. Sheets without Marginal Notes, including 250. Copies upon Royal Paper, amounting in the whole to. . . . . 21. 7. 6.

The Account being examin'd, and found conformable to Agreement?

Min. 3.

Agreed that M<sup>r</sup> Mayo be desired to pay the same.

July 2. Min. 4. The Society being inform'd that the Folio MSS. of the New Testament in Arabic was divided into Sections, after the Oriental Manner, as well as Chapter and Verse, and that the 8.<sup>vo</sup> Copy was not so divided: and that the Notes are larger in the Folio, than in the 8.<sup>vo</sup> MSS.

Min. 5. Agreed that M.<sup>r</sup> Dadichi pursue copying the New Testament in Arabic, from the Folio MSS.

Min. 7. M.<sup>r</sup> Bedford acquainted the Society that D.<sup>r</sup> Lisle had a Commission from the Patriarch of Antioch, to print 2. Manuscripts sent over from Aleppo, one of them being against the Popes Supremacy, and desir'd to know the Pleasure of the Society, whether they would lend their Arabic Letters, for such a Service, when the Printer is printed.

Min. 8. Agreed that the Society's Arabic Letters be lent for such a Service, provided it do not hinder the going on with the Impression of the New Testament.

July 7.<sup>th</sup> Min. 1. D.<sup>r</sup> Delafaye laid before the Committee a Letter from D.<sup>r</sup> Mills Professor of the Oriental Languages at Utrecht, to himself, concerning the Use of the Orthographical Notes in Arabic, the same was read, by which he signifies that the said Notes are necessary to be used in Arabic Impressions for Reasons given in his Letter.

Min. 2. D.<sup>r</sup> Delafaye further acquainted the Committee that Mons.<sup>r</sup> Durville, a Learned French Gentleman, who has spent many Years in Turkey and Palestine, is now in London, and able to give the Society more particular Information of the Necessity of using those Notes.

Min. 3. Agreed that D.<sup>r</sup> Delafaye be desir'd to invite the said Mons.<sup>r</sup> Durville to the next Committee.

Min. 9. M.<sup>r</sup> Dadichi laid before the Committee, 26 Sheets in 4.<sup>to</sup> MSS. and the Marginal Notes to compleat S.<sup>t</sup> Matthew's Gospel; and the same was deposited in the Society's Trunk of Arabic Books and MSS.

July 21.<sup>st</sup> Min. 1. D.<sup>r</sup> Mayo acquainted the Committee that the Arabic MSS. sent from the Patriarch of Antioch mention'd in the Minutes of 2.<sup>d</sup> July Curr.<sup>t</sup> are now in Hand to be printed, at Oxford, under the Inspection of Mons.<sup>r</sup> Gagnier.

August 4.<sup>th</sup> Min. 4. M.<sup>r</sup> Dadichi laid before the Committee a MSS. Copy of S.<sup>t</sup> Mark's Gospel in Arabic, with the Notes, as sent from Aleppo; and the same was lodg'd in the Trunk of Arabic MSS.

Min. 5. M.<sup>r</sup> Bedford acquainted the Committee that the Printer in Arabic was now near finish'd at the Press, and desir'd to know the Pleasure of the Society about inserting the Preface sent from Aleppo.

Min. 6. Agreed that the Translation of the Preface into Latin be communicated to M.<sup>r</sup> Bedford, and that he be desir'd to give his Opinion of it to the Committee next Tuesday.

Min. 7. M.<sup>r</sup> Palmer laid before the Committee an Account of the Charge of printing a 2.<sup>d</sup> Six Sheets of the Arabic Printer, from C. to B.b. amounting in the whole to 2.<sup>d</sup> 7.<sup>d</sup> 6. and the same being read.

Min. 8. Agreed that D.<sup>r</sup> Mayo be desir'd to pay the same.

August 6. Min. 3. Mr. Bedford reported that he had perus'd the Preface of the Arabic Psalter composed at Aleppo by Direction of the Patriarch of Antioch, and that he finds the Translation faithfully done from the Arabic: And the same being read:

Min. 4. A Motion was made to omit the Paragraphs, in the Preface, where mention is made of there being 2 Columns in each Page, and the References in the Margin of the Psalter, whereas the Impression now made has but one Column, and the References design'd for the Margin, inserted at the Bottom of each Page.

Min. 5. Agreed that it be finally left to the Committee to give such Direction in this Matter as they shall think proper, and also with Reference to the Argument prefix'd to the Psalter, said to be composed by Diodati.

August 11. Min. 1. Mr. Bedford reported that he had perus'd the Translation of the Argument prefix'd to the Copy of the Psalter sent from Aleppo, said to be written originally by John Diodati, and that he does not find any Thing Offensive in the Matter of the said Argument.

Min. 2. Agreed that both the Preface and Argument, as sent from Aleppo, be printed at the Beginning of all the Copies where the Contents and References are printed, after making such Alterations to the Preface as was propos'd at the last Meeting of the Society, and that the Name of Diodati, be omitted both in the Preface, and Argument?

Min. 3. Agreed that the Title of the Psalter be accommodated to what is printed by the Society, and that no Notice be taken of the Place where it is printed: And that Mr. Bedford be desir'd to take Care that the Alterations propos'd in the Preface and Title Page be adjust'd accordingly.

Min. 4. Agreed that Mr. Diodati prepare Copies of the said Preface and Argument for the Printer.

August 18. Min. 4. Mr. Bedford acquainted the Committee that Copies of the Preface and Argument before the Psalter in Arabic had been transcrib'd, together with the Decalogue and Lord's Prayer to be added at the End of the Psalms, and that the Alterations propos'd at the Society, had been carefully made.

Min. 5. Agreed that D. Mayo be desir'd to pay three half Crowns to Mr. Diodati for his Labour in making the said Transcripts.

Min. 6. Mr. Bedford acquainting the Committee that Mr. Diodati desir'd some Money in part of the Consideration agreed by the Society to be paid him for his Copying the New Testament.

Min. 7. Agreed that D. Mayo be desir'd to advance to him, thereof, as he shall think proper.

Sept. 8. Min. 1. Mr. Palmer the Printer, laid before the Committee an Account of the Charge for Printing the Remainder of the Arabic Psalter, amounting to 16. 4. and the same being read:

Min. 2. Agreed that D. Mayo be desir'd to pay it.

Septemb. 15.

Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>. Min. 2. The Secretary laid before the Committee M.<sup>r</sup> Dadiichi's Copy of S.<sup>t</sup> John's Gospel in Arabic; and the same was lodg'd in the Society's Trunk of Arabic MSS.

Min. 4. M.<sup>r</sup> Sholmley laid before the Committee an Account of the Prices for which he could bind the Tracts in Arabic viz!

The large 8.<sup>vo</sup> in Calf, for 9.<sup>s</sup> In Sheep, for 5.<sup>s</sup> 1/2

The small 8.<sup>vo</sup> in Calf, for 8.<sup>s</sup> In Sheep, for 4.<sup>s</sup> 1/2

If they <sup>are</sup> sold with Gold

The large 8.<sup>vo</sup> will be 6.<sup>s</sup> each.

The small 8.<sup>vo</sup> will be 5.<sup>s</sup> each.

Sept. 22<sup>d</sup>. Min. 6. M.<sup>r</sup> Liegenhagen desired the Society would present Professor Frank, and Professor Mitchell, at Hall with 2. Copies of the Tract in Arabic.

Octob. 20<sup>th</sup>. Min. 1. M.<sup>r</sup> Dadiichi laid before the Committee a Copy of the Acts of the Apostles in Arabic MSS. And the same was lodg'd in the Society's Trunk of Arabic Books and MSS.

Min. 6. A Letter from M.<sup>r</sup> Sherman, at Aleppo, in Turkey, of the 18<sup>th</sup> August last, was read, in Answer to the Society's Letter of the 9<sup>th</sup> of June last, wherein, among other Things, he desires the Tracts may be sent over the first Opportunity; and that they be bound in Leather rather than Vellum.

Min. 7. Agreed that M.<sup>r</sup> Sholmley be directed to bind 500. Copies of the larger Tract in Calf Leather; and that it be consider'd next Tuesday, what Number to bind in Sheep, of the smaller Volume.

Octob. 27<sup>th</sup>. Min. 1. Upon reading a Minute of 22. Septemb.<sup>r</sup> by which M.<sup>r</sup> Liegenhagen desires 2. Copies of the Arabic Tract for Professor Frank and Professor Michaelis at Hall.

Min. 2. Agreed that Copies be deliver'd to him accordingly.

Min. 3. The Committee being inform'd that there was 3 L. 15. due to M.<sup>r</sup> Dadiichi for correcting the Tracts, containing 15. Sheets in Arabic at 5. s. per Sheet, according to Agreement made with him by the Society: And M.<sup>r</sup> Bedford acquainting the Society that there were 15. Sheets corrected by him.

Min. 4. Agreed that D.<sup>r</sup> Mayo be desired to pay M.<sup>r</sup> Dadiichi 3 L. 15. for his Service therein.

Min. 5. Agreed upon M.<sup>r</sup> Bedford's Motion, that a Copy of the Tract in Arabic, the large Edition, be given to M.<sup>r</sup> Negri, and another to M.<sup>r</sup> Dadiichi.

Min. 8. Agreed that M.<sup>r</sup> Sholmley be directed to bind 1500. Copies of the small Tract in Arabic: 1400. of them in the best Sheep, and 100. in Calf; And that M.<sup>r</sup> Palmer be order'd to deliver that Number to him.

Novemb. 10<sup>th</sup>. Min. 10. Order'd that 10. Copies of the Arabic Tract, in large Paper, and 10. of the small Paper be well bound, in Calf, for Presents to Benefactors.

Decemb. 1<sup>st</sup>. Min. 1. Upon reading a Letter from M.<sup>r</sup> Sholmley desiring the Society would Advance to him 15 L. towards his finishing the Binding of 2000. Arabic Tracts, he's Binding for the Society.

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Min. 2. Agreed that D. Mayo be desired to advance 15. £. to M<sup>r</sup>. Cholmley as he desires.

Decemb. 8. <sup>20th</sup> Min. 1. M<sup>r</sup>. Brewer the Stationer laid before the Committee an Account of Seven Ream and 11. Quire of superfine Royal Writing Paper sent to M<sup>r</sup>. Palmer for Printing 250. Copies of the Arabic Bacter, at 3. £. a Ream, amounting in the whole to 22. 13. —.

Min. 2. Agreed that D. Mayo be desired to discharge the said Account.

Decemb. 15. <sup>21st</sup> Min. 16. Agreed that it be consider'd, this Day Evening, what Measures to take for Printing the New Testament in Arabic, and Nothing to intervene.

Min. 17. Order'd that 25. Copies of the Bacter in Arabic, on fine Paper, be well bound and sent to Aleppo in the Chests now going to M<sup>r</sup>. Sherman.

Decemb. 22. <sup>28th</sup> Min. 1. An Account of the Charge for making 3. large Cases for the 2000. Bacters in Arabic, sent to Aleppo was laid before the Committee amounting to 2. 10.

Min. 2. Agreed that D. Mayo be desired to pay the same.

Min. 3. An Account of the Charge of Binding the 2000. Bacters in Arabic, and of Copies by M<sup>r</sup>. Cholmley, was laid before the Committee amounting to 56. 1. —.

Min. 4. Agreed that when the said Account has been examin'd, by D. Mayo and Secretary, and found to agree with the Terms propos'd the 15. September last that D. Mayo be desired to pay the same.

Min. 12. The Committee taking into Consideration the New Testament in Arabic into the Press, reconsider'd the Contents of the Letter of 9. June last to M<sup>r</sup>. Sherman so far as relates to the Orthographical Notes or Marks; and considering that M<sup>r</sup>. Sherman's Answer to that Letter was not satisfactory, because he makes no Mention of those Marks in his Letter.

Min. 13. Agreed that M<sup>r</sup>. Sherman be <sup>again</sup> wrote to, to write his Opinion expressly in that Matter; and that the Marks of Hamza, Teshdid, Jannuin, Pierma, Nesla, and Medda, be named in the Letter wrote to him, and whether the using them be necessary for making the Text more intelligible to the common People.

Min. 14. Agreed that M<sup>r</sup>. Bedford be desired to prepare a Letter upon this Minute against Tuesday next; and that a Copy of the Society's last Letter, and M<sup>r</sup>. Sherman's Answer be put into M<sup>r</sup>. Bedford's Hands.

Decemb. 29. <sup>5th</sup> Min. 11. The Secretary reported that 2. of the 3. Chests of Arabic Bacters sending to Scanderoon, were ship'd on Board the Halifax Capt<sup>n</sup>. Butler Master, but the 3. Chest being sent to Gravesend was sent back for want of Room in the Menhorth to receive them. That several other parcels belonging to Merchants of the Turkey Company, being also return'd, they had agreed to take up another Ship called the Royal Exchange commanded by Captain Thomas Moulton, which would be ready to sail about the middle of January; and that M<sup>r</sup>. Eaton, Partner of S. Gerrard Conyers, had been so kind as to engage for its going with his Goods, and that it was now in Custody of his Servants, till it could be ship'd.

Min. 12.

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Min. 12. M<sup>r</sup>. Bedford laid before the Committee a Draught of a Letter to M<sup>r</sup>. Sherman which he had prepar'd according to the Reference of last Meeting, and the same being read:

Min. 13. Agreed that the Secretary communicate it to D<sup>r</sup>. Lisle, M<sup>r</sup>. Soley, and M<sup>r</sup>. Bryan; and that they be desired to give their Opinion of the Contents of it by this Day Senight.

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Min. 8. Agreed that the Thanks of the Society be given to M<sup>r</sup>. Eaton for his good Office, to the Society, in shipping the Arabic Tracts, and that a Copy of the large Tract on fine Paper be presented to him.

Min. 9. Agreed that M<sup>r</sup>. Palmer be directed to compose a Specimen of a Page of the New Testament in D<sup>vo</sup> in Crown and Demy Paper, in two Columns, with the Marginal Notes according to M<sup>r</sup>. Sherman's Desire.

Min. 10. Agreed that M<sup>r</sup>. Dadihi make a Copy of Page 674. being Part of the 17<sup>th</sup> Chapter of the Apocalypse in the Arabic Copy in D<sup>vo</sup> sent from Aleppo; with the Marginal Notes and References, for M<sup>r</sup>. Palmer to print from.

January 12<sup>th</sup>

Min. 8. A Motion was made for a Special Committee to be appointed for considering of the properest Means for promoting the Arabic Impressions, and the raising more Benefactions to carry on the Undertaking.

Min. 9. Agreed that some Day in the Week, a Committee for this Purpose be desired to give their Company as their Affairs will best allow.

Min. 10. Agreed that such Appointment of a Committee be considered of and Agreed upon at the Standing Committee on Tuesday next.

Min. 11. Agreed that the first Committee for considering of this Affair be desired to meet next Thursday Senight, in the Morning, by 10. a Clock in this Place.

Min. 12. Agreed that M<sup>r</sup>. Bedford, M<sup>r</sup>. Bryan, M<sup>r</sup>. Soley, D<sup>r</sup>. Lisle, D<sup>r</sup>. Mayo, and M<sup>r</sup>. Thomas have particular Notice when these Committees are appointed; and that other Gentlemen be desired to attend as they can.

Min. 13. The Committee being inform'd that the 3<sup>d</sup>. and last Ship to Seandercon; this Season, was just now ready for her Departure.

Min. 14. Agreed that M<sup>r</sup>. Bedford be desired to write this Afternoon what he would have M<sup>r</sup>. Sherman inform the Society in about the Orthographical Marks, and that M<sup>r</sup>. Dadihi be desired to signify his Thoughts also about the same Marks, and that both these Letters be cover'd by the Secretary to M<sup>r</sup>. Sherman with a Request that he would signify to the Society his Opinion about the Marks in Question, by the 1<sup>st</sup>. Opportunity, in a Letter to the Secretary, and that he need not trouble himself to write to M<sup>r</sup>. Bedford or M<sup>r</sup>. Dadihi in Answer to their Letters.

January 12<sup>th</sup>

Min. 1. The Gentlemen present heard read over a Letter from M<sup>r</sup>. Bedford to M<sup>r</sup>. Sherman, and gave Directions for some Alterations which M<sup>r</sup>. Bedford undertook to observe in the Transcript he was desired to make of it.

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Min. 2. A Draught of a Letter from M<sup>r</sup>. Dadichi, to M<sup>r</sup>. Sherman, in Latin, was also read, and agreed to be sent to M<sup>r</sup>. Sherman with M<sup>r</sup>. Bedford's Letter, and that M<sup>r</sup>. Sherman be desired to send his Thoughts on both to the Secretary.

Min. 3. Agreed that the Secretary cover both the said Letters to M<sup>r</sup>. Sherman, and forward them by the first Opportunity.

Janry. 19<sup>th</sup>. Min. 11. Several Specimens of Compositions, in Arabick, being laid before the Committee: Agreed that they be referred to the Committee of next Thursday, and that M<sup>r</sup>. Palmer be desired then to attend.

Janry. 26<sup>th</sup>. Min. 6. Agreed that the Committee, for the Arabick Impressions, be desired to meet next Thursday Morning to go on with the Matters referred to them.

Min. 7. M<sup>r</sup>. Dadichi laid before the Committee the Continuation of the Copy he is making of the New Testament in Arabick to the End of S<sup>t</sup>. Paul's Epistles, together with the Notes and parallel Places.

Feb. 2<sup>o</sup>. Min. 6. The Committee being inform'd that M<sup>r</sup>. Dadichi had copied the New Testament in Arabick, as far as the End of S<sup>t</sup>. Paul's Epistles, for which he had receiv'd but 10. Guineas.

Min. 7. Agreed that D<sup>r</sup>. Mayo be desired to advance to him 25. Guineas in further part of the 50. Guineas he is to have for the whole New Testament with the Marginal Notes and References.

Feb. 4<sup>th</sup>. Min. 10. M<sup>r</sup>. Thomas reported that the Committee for Auditing the Society's Accounts had met last Munday, and that they had found the State of Receipts and Payments,

viz<sup>t</sup>.

### On Account of the Arabick Impressions, to be as follows.

Receipts by the Rever<sup>d</sup>. D<sup>r</sup>. Mayo including the Ballance of last Years Receipts 372..10..4

Payments by D<sup>r</sup>. Mayo on said Acco<sup>t</sup>. 355..7..7

Ballance in D<sup>r</sup>. Mayo's Hands. 17..2..9.

Receipts by Hen. Hoare Esq<sup>r</sup>. on the same Acco<sup>t</sup>. 328..10..1.

Remaining in hand to carry on s<sup>e</sup>. Impressions 345..12..10

Feb. 9<sup>th</sup>. Min. 4. A Motion was made for reprinting the Extracts of Letters for promoting the Arabick Impressions:

Agreed —

Min. 5. Agreed that it be referred to the Committee for the Arabic Impressions, to consider of this Motion; and what may be proper to be added to a New Impression to recommend the Undertaking.

Min. 6. Agreed that the said Committee be desired to meet next Thursday Evening, if no Objection occurs, next Tuesday, to such an Appointment, and that in the mean Time the Secretary wait on the A. Bp. of Canterbury and Bp. of London with an Account of the Steps taken, by the Society, relating to the Arabic Impressions, and to request their Lordships Advice about further Application to the Government.

Min. 7. Agreed that M<sup>r</sup>. Palmer be directed to prepare Specimens against the Meeting of the said Committee.

Feb. 16<sup>th</sup>. Min. 6. An Account of Work done by M<sup>r</sup>. Palmer in preparing 14 Different Specimens for printing the New Testament in Arabic, amounting to 3. 3. —, was laid before the Committee and read.

Min. 7. Agreed that D<sup>r</sup>. Mayo be desired to pay the same.

Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup>. Min. 8. Agreed that the Committee for the Arabic Impressions be desired to meet next Thursday Morning at this Place, and that it be referred to them to give their Opinion of that part of the Draught of the Circular Letter which relates to the Arabic Impressions.

March 2<sup>d</sup>. Min. 6. It was reported from the Committee for the Arabic Impressions, that they had given Directions for preparing the Extracts of Letters, relating to the Impression of the New Testament and Psalter in Arabic, to be reprinted; and that they recommended it to the Society to print 2000. Copies of them.

March 9<sup>th</sup>. Min. 7. Agreed that a Committee for the Arabic Impressions, be desired to meet next Thursday Morning, by 10. a Clock, at this Place.

March 11<sup>th</sup>. Min. 1. M<sup>r</sup>. Bedford having communicated several Hints to the Committee, relating to their future Proceeding in the Arabic Impressions.

Min. 2. Agreed that M<sup>r</sup>. Bedford be desired to prepare, against the next Council, an Estimate of the Difference there will be, between the Charge of printing the New Testament in Arabic, with Annotations, and without Annotations.

Min. 3. The Committee considering of the Means of raising Benefactions — towards carrying on the Arabic Impressions; —  
Are of Opinion that the Success of Applications for raising Benefactions towards these Impressions, and the Beauty and Extent of the Undertaking, very much depend on the Success of the Application made to the Government: And that the first proper Step to be taken therein, is to apply to His Majesty.

March 16.

March 16. Min.

Mr. Bedford reported that he had according to the Order of Thursday last, computed the Differences of printing 6000. Copies of the New Testament in Arabic, with and without the Annotations, Marginal References, and Orthographical Marks, with the Types the Society are now possessed of, with some small Improvements, and the same being formed into 3. different Estimates, are as follows.

The 1. Estimate supposes 6000. Copies, with Annotations, Marginal References, Diacritical Points, and Orthographical Marks. viz!

1500. Copies in Folio } At the Charge of . . . . . £. 3135. --  
4500. Copies in 4.<sup>to</sup> }

The 2. Estimate supposes the Impression to be made without Annotations, and Marginal References, but with Orthographical Marks.

6000. Copies of which in 4.<sup>to</sup> or 8.<sup>vo</sup> will cost . . . . . 1130. --

The 3. Estimate supposes the Impression to be made of the Text only, without Annotations, Marginal References, or Orthographical Marks.

6000. Copies of which in 4.<sup>to</sup> or large 8.<sup>vo</sup> will cost . . . . . 935. 10. --

So that an Impression of 6000. Copies, according to the 2. Estimate, will save about . . . . . 2000. --

But an Impression according to the 3. Estimate, will save about . . . . . 2200. --

Min. 2. Mr. Soley reported that he had perused the Draught of the Society's Circular Letter, and that he thinks some Facts mentioned in the Clauses relating to the Arabic Impressions, might raise Doubts or Scruples in the Members to whom the Letter might be sent; and therefore he proposed that a shorter Paragraph, relating what had been already done in the Arabic Impressions, and the Want of Money to carry on the same, without going into the Particulars proposed of the Difficulties attending Arabic Impressions might suffice: and the Draught of a Clause according to their Report, being laid before the Committee, was read, and, with some Amendments, approved.

Min. 3. Agreed that printed Copies of the Circular Letter, as now prepared, be brought to the next Committee.

Min. 10. Mr. Carlson brought to the Committee the 361. Matrices & 2. Moulds for the Arabic Font made by him, and lent to him in a Trunk, the 14.<sup>th</sup> April last, together with several other Punches & Matrices since made according to a Note in D. Mayor's hand.

Min. 11. Agreed that Mr Bedford be desired to examine the said Psalters and Matrices, as well formerly delivered as new, and to give Directions for putting them up in a proper Manner; for the Use of the Society hereafter.

March 23<sup>rd</sup>. Min. 8. A Motion being made to apply to the Bishops, who are Members of the Society, to give their Approbation, sign'd by their Lordships, recommending the Impressions of the Psalter and New Testament in Arabick.

Min. 9. Agreed that the Secretary wait upon his Grace of Canterbury, and request his Graces Advice and Favour upon this Motion.

Min. 10. Agreed that the undermentioned Gentlemen be desired to give Leave to insert their Names in the List of Members, of the Society, desired to be Receivers of Benefactions to the Arabick Impressions, at the End of the Proposal printed for that Purpose

Mr. Archdeacon Benson.

Mr. Tillard.

Mr. Denne.

Mr. Witham.

Mr. Dean Harris.

Mr. Bedford.

Dr. Lisle.

Mr. Liegenhagen.

Mr. Soley.

Mr. Thomas.

Min. 11. Agreed that the 5. Sheet of the Extract of Letters relating to the great Charity and Usefulness of printing the New Testament & Psalter in Arabick, be sent to the Press.

Min. 15. Mr. Sadicki brought a Copy of the Remainder of the New Testament in Arabick, to the End of the Apocalypse.

March 30<sup>th</sup>. Min. 2. The Committee heard read the Draught of a Letter to his Grace the Archbishop of Canterbury, desiring his Grace would please to recommend the Undertaking of the Arabick Impressions; and to obtain the like Favour from other Bishops, in Order to be published with the new Edition of the Letter.

Min. 3. Order'd that the Letter be sent to his Grace of Canterbury with all convenient Speed.

Min. 12. Agreed that Copies of the Arabick Psalter, on fine Paper, be given to his Grace the Archbishop of Canterbury, and the Archbishop of London, and such other Persons, as have been considerable Benefactors to the Arabick Impressions.

April 1<sup>st</sup>. Min. 1. Upon a Recommendation from the Committee, Agreed that 2000. Copies of the New Edition of the Extract of Letters, relating to the Arabick Impressions, be printed.

April 13<sup>th</sup>. Min. 2. Upon reading a Letter from Mr. Holmwood of this Day.

Min. 3. Order'd that 1000. Copies of the Psalter in Arabick, the small 8. be bound in Sheep, as those sent to Aleppo, last Christmas, were.

April 27. Min. 12. Agreed that 1000. Copies of the Arabick Gospels in volume 8. be sent to Mr. Cholmondeley to be bound, besides the 1000. ordered the 13. Curr.

May. 11. Min. 3. Mr. Dadihi laid before the Committee the Continuation of the Copy of the New Testament in Arabick, to the End of the MS. Copy in Folio, sent from Aleppo;

Min. 4. Agreed that D. Mayo be desired to pay Mr. Dadihi for his Labour in Transcribing the said MS. according to the Contract made with him by Order of the Society.

Min. 7. The Secretary reported that he had waited on several Bishops with the Preamble recommending the Design of printing the New Testament in Arabick; And that the same had been signed by 23. Bishops, and that the other Bishops, who have not signed it, are not in Town.

Min. 8. Agreed that the same be sent to the press; and that a proof of it be sent to the Committee this day senight.

May 25. Min. 2. A Proof of the 1. Sheet of the Extract of Letters relating to the Arabick Impressions, was laid before the Committee, and ordered to be printed off, when the Succession of the Names of the Lords the Bishops, who have signed the Recommendation, at the Beginning of the Book, had been adjusted to the Satisfaction of either of their Lordships.

N. B. vid. June 1. Min. 7. June 3. Min. 12. relating to Extract of Letters, about the Arabick Impressions.

June 22. Min. 15. Mr. Bedford reported that he had inspected the Box of Punchons and Matrices belonging to the Society; that he had examined all the Matrices, and found only one of them wanting, which Mr. Caslon had promised to supply; and that, at his first Seizure, he would examine the Punchons, and make a Report as he should find.

Min. 16. Agreed that when they are examined that they be lodged in the Society's Store Room.

Min. 17. Mr. Cholmondeley sent to the Committee an account of work done, on his charge of Account of the Arabick Impressions amounting to 3. 12. 6. which D. Mayo was desired to pay to him.

July 1. Min. 4. Mr. Bedford reported that he had inspected the Arabick Punchons belonging to the Society, and that he found only one wanting, being for the same Character as the Matrix is wanting for, as mentioned the 22. of June, according to the Alphabet put into his hands; and that Mr. Caslon had promised to seek for it, or make another at his Convenience.

Min. 2. Mr. Bedford further reported that the Punchons wanted cleaning before they could be packed up, and that Mr. Caslon undertook to do it for Half a Guinea; that when that was done Mr. Bedford would inform himself, whether the Number of the Punchons answered the Number paid for by the Society. 17. March, 1723/4.

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333. Punches at 12 each . . . 24.. 19.. 6.

339. Matrices at 6 each . . . 8.. 9.. 6.

113. Dills at 12 each . . . 5.. 13.. —

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39.. 2.. —

2. Moulds at 40 each . . . 80.. 4.. —

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43.. 2.. —

- Min. 3. M<sup>r</sup>. Bedford further reported that the Matrices being justified some to one Mould and some to another, occasion'd very often a Disagreement in those Letters which ought to joyn; And to remedy that Inconvenience, M<sup>r</sup>. Gaslon undertakes to justify all the Matrices to one of the Moulds, in Consideration of his having the other Mould, or 40. Shillings in Money, the Price which the Society paid for each Mould.

July 13<sup>th</sup>. Min. 6. Upon reading the Minutes of the 1<sup>st</sup> of July of M<sup>r</sup>. Bedford's Report, of the want of justifying all the Arabick Matrices to one Mould for casting Letters.

- Min. 7. Agreed that M<sup>r</sup>. Gaslon be allowed to have one of the Moulds for his justifying all the Matrices to the other; upon Condition he return that, or make another for 40, when the Society may want one for the Missionaries abroad.

July 20<sup>th</sup>. Min. 5. The Committee being inform'd that a Person from M<sup>r</sup>. Palmer attended without, he was call'd in, and acquainted the Committee, that the Remainder of the Arabick Tractets, left in M<sup>r</sup>. Palmer's Store Room, were in Danger of being damnify'd by the Dampness of the Floor; and the Rats eating them.

- Min. 6. Agreed that M<sup>r</sup>. Palmer be desir'd to give Directions for making up the Tractets in Bundles of 10. or 100. Copies, as shall be thought proper, and that the Secretary then take Care to get them receiv'd into the Society's Store Room, or to his Chambers.

Min. 9. A Letter from M<sup>r</sup>. Sherman at Aleppo, of the 20<sup>th</sup> of April, was read, in Answer to the Society's Letters, about the use of the Orthographical Marks in the Arabick Impressions.

- Min. 10. Agreed that this Letter be communicated to the Society at their next Monthly Meeting; and that Notice of the same be given to the absent Members at the Bottom of their Summons.

July 27<sup>th</sup>. Min. 1. Upon reading a Letter of the 17<sup>th</sup> Curr<sup>t</sup> from S<sup>r</sup>. John Philipps, relating to a further Representation to S<sup>r</sup>. Robert Walpole for the King's Bounty to the Arabick Impressions. The Secretary acquainted the Committee, that S<sup>r</sup>. Rob<sup>t</sup> had directed him to wait upon him this Week upon that Subject, and that he purpos'd to do it next Thursday Morning.

Min. 2.

Min. 2. Agreed that if there be any further Delay in obtaining his Majesty's Bounty, that a proper Extract of St. John Philipps's Letter be made, beginning at the Words, *I desire* &c. and put into St. Robert Walpole's Hands in the most respectful Manner.

Min. 11. Agreed that 500. Copies of the large Edition of the Tract in Arabic be sent to M.<sup>r</sup> Cholmondeley to be bound, in Order to be ready to be sent by the next Ships to Aleppo; And that 25. Copies of the Superfine Paper be bound likewise.

August 5<sup>th</sup>. Min. 8. M.<sup>r</sup> Sherman's Letter of the 20<sup>th</sup> April last, from Aleppo, was read.

Min. 9. Agreed that the further Consideration of this Letter be refer'd to the Committee.

Min. 10. Three Estimates of the Charge of printing the New Testament in Arabic with, and without Notes, or Orthographical Marks, were laid before the Society.

Min. 11. Agreed that the Consideration of these Estimates be laid before the Committee.

August 7<sup>th</sup>. Min. 2. Agreed that 2000. of the small Sort of Arabic Tracts, order'd to be bound, and 500. of the larger Sort, be pack'd up, in a proper Manner, and sent on Board the Princess Amelia and the Happy Return, going to Scanderoon; which Ships are to depart from Gravesend, the 10<sup>th</sup> of September.

Min. 5. Order'd that the Secretary peruse M.<sup>r</sup> Sherman's last Letter, by this Day's Night, to see what has been particularly desired, by him, to be sent in the Ships now going.

Min. 10. M.<sup>r</sup> Bedford mov'd that those Orthographical Marks which are thought necessary for the Arabic Impressions, according to the Advice from Aleppo, may be prepar'd while the Weather is good; and that no Time might be lost, when the Society shall be ready to proceed in the Impression of the New Testament. And that he believ'd there would want about 30. of those Marks, which would cost about 30. Half Crowns.

Min. 11. Agreed that M.<sup>r</sup> Bedford be desired to give Directions for preparing the Punches necessary for making the Orthographical Marks as desired by M.<sup>r</sup> Sherman.

August 31<sup>st</sup>. Min. 6. The Committee being inform'd that a Man skill'd in Packing of Books had been employ'd 5. or 6. Days in packing the Arabic Tracts at M.<sup>r</sup> Palmer's, and that M.<sup>r</sup> Palmer had been wont to allow him 20<sup>s</sup>. for the like Service.

Min. 7. Agreed that a Guinea be given to the Man that has pack'd up the Tracts at M.<sup>r</sup> Palmer's, when the Remainder of the Copies are deliver'd into the Society's Store.

Min. 8. Agreed that the Remainder of the Copies in M.<sup>r</sup> Palmer's Custody, be remov'd into the Society's Store with the first Convenience.

Min. 9. M.<sup>r</sup> Bedford acquainted the Committee that there were several Letters in the Arabic Alphabet of the Society's Letters made by M.<sup>r</sup> Caslon, which were too small, and did not well match with the other Letters.

Min. 10.



Oct. 7. Min. 5. Upon reading the Minutes of the Committee the 21. Septemb. concerning Mr. Holmsted's Account of Work done for the Society amounting to 61. 7.  
Min. 6. Agreed that D. Mayo be desired to pay off the same, when he's satisfied in the Reasonableness of the Articles it consists of.

Oct. 12. Min. 12. An Account of the Charge of making 4. large Sheets for the Arabic Books sending in the Fleet now going to Turkey amounting to ... 3. 14. — was laid before the Committee, and read.

Min. 13. Agreed that D. Mayo be desired to pay the same.

Oct. 19. Min. 13. Upon reading a Letter from Mr. Sherman, to Mr. Bedford, of 3. July, at Aleppo, recommending it to the Society to print 500. Copies of the Catechism, as translated by D. Pocock (but transcribed in the Method of Dr. Beveridge's Catechism) for the Use of the Schools in the Patriarchate of Antioch.

Min. 14. Agreed that this Matter be recommended to the Consideration of the next Committee, for Arabic Affairs, that shall be appointed, and that in the mean Time it be inserted in the Memorandum Book.

Min. 15. Mr. Bedford communicated to the Committee a little Treatise in Arabic, ... sent to him by Mr. Sherman, as a Specimen of what the Romish Priests teach their Proselytes in Palestine instead of the Evangelical <sup>Doctrine</sup> of our Blessed Saviour and his Apostles.

Min. 16. Agreed that Mr. Dadichi be desired to translate the same into Latin, English, or French.

Oct. 26. Min. 9. Mr. Dadichi brought to the Committee a Latin Translation of the little Arabic MS. sent from Aleppo, by Mr. Sherman, as mentioned in the Minutes of last Tuesday.

Min. 10. Mr. Bedford moved to gratifie Mr. Dadichi for his Trouble in Translating the Arabic MS.

Nov. 2. Min. 15. Agreed that D. Mayo be desired to give a Guinea to Mr. Dadichi, as a Gratuity from the Society, for his Translating into Latin, the little Arabic MS. sent from Aleppo by Mr. Sherman.

Nov. 9. Min. 15. Agreed that D. Mayo be desired to acquaint the Committee, by this Day Tenight, whereabout the Ballance of Money in hand, for carrying on the Arabic Impressions may be, after deducting what is paid, or so be paid, for binding the 6000. Arabic Bibles.

Nov. 16. Min. 7. D. Mayo reported that he had computed what Money was in his hands on account of the Arabic Impressions; and that there will remain after paying for the Binding of the Bibles remaining unbound, abt. 508 £.

Agreed

Nov 16. Min. 14. Agreed to meet here this Day Tenight by 9. in the Morning precisely, to consider of the Arabic Impressions; and that all Letters on that Subject from Aleppo, be refer'd to that Committee.

23. Min. 1. The Committee considering of several Letters from M.<sup>r</sup> Sherman viz<sup>t</sup>. of the 29. Decemb<sup>r</sup>. 1721. and 10. August 1724. concerning printing the Annotations in the New Testament sent from Aleppo, and considering that the Fund of Benefactions hitherto, to the Arabic Impressions, are appropriated by the printed Proposal to printing the Text of the Walter and New Testament only, and that the Money at present in hand, was not sufficient to undertake an Impression of the Annotations, or any other Additions, as well as for diverse other Considerations.

Min. 2. Agreed that it be recommended to the Committee to print 4500. Copies in 8.<sup>vo</sup> with Orthographical Marks, but without Annotations, Contents, or Marginal Notes.

Min. 3. Agreed that M.<sup>r</sup> Dadihi be desired to translate the Annotations to the several Texts now propos'd out of the Copies from Aleppo viz<sup>t</sup>.

St Math. Chap. XXVI. v. 26. to the 29.

St John. Chap. VI. v. 51. to the 56.

Chap. XV. v. 26.

Romans. Chap. III. from v. 23. to the End.

Chap. IX. from v. 18. to the 23.

1. Corinth. Chap. XI. v. 29.

Chap. XV. v. 29.

Philip. Chap. II. from v. 5. to the 13.

James. Chap. II. v. 14. to the End

1. John. Chap. V. v. 7. 8.

23. Min. 1. The Committee heard read the Minutes of the Arabic Committee about Prosecuting the Arabic Impressions; and

Min. 2. Agreed that 4500. Copies of the New Testament be printed in Arabic with the Orthographical Marks, and without Annotations, Contents, or Marginal References.

Min. 3. Agreed that M.<sup>r</sup> Dadihi be desired to translate the Annotations as propos'd by the Arabic Committee.

Min. 5. Agreed that M.<sup>r</sup> Bedford be desired to give Directions for Composing a Sheet of the New Testament, in Arabic, with the Orthographical Marks as soon as they are prepar'd.

Min. 14. Agreed to meet here this Day Tenight at 9. a Clock in the Morning, as an Arabick Committee, and that M.<sup>r</sup> Dadihi be desired to give his Company then, and to bring the Translation desired by a former Committee.

30. Min. 1. The Committee were put in Mind of the Memorandum of Oct. 19. in the Memorand. Book, about printing 500. Copies of the Cath. Catechism in Arabic.

Agreed.

- Vol. 30. Min. 2. Agreed that this Matter be postponed till the New Testament is printed.
- Min. 3. The Committee considering whether it may be adviseable for the Society to print a Number of the New Testament, in Arabic, with the Annotations, Contents, and Marginal References, as sent from Aleppo.
- Min. 4. A Motion was made to print 1500. Copies of the New Testament, in Folio, in 2. Columns, so order'd, that the Composition of each Column may serve to print the 8.<sup>th</sup> Edition before the Letters are dispers'd; and that 250. Copies of the Annotations be printed by themselves, without the Contents & Parallel Places, as a Present to M<sup>r</sup>. Sherman.
- Min. 5. Agreed that 1500. Copies of the New Testament in Folio, and 250 Copies of the Annotations, the latter as a present to M<sup>r</sup>. Sherman, be printed seperately, as propos'd in the Motion, provided the Society be satisfy'd in the Orthodoxy of the Annotations, and that the Fund for doing this be sufficient to defray the Charge of it.
- Min. 6. Agreed that a Report of this be made to the Standing Committee.

30. Min. 1. It was reported from the Committee for the Arabic Impressions that they had consider'd, whether it would be adviseable for the Society to print a Number of the New Testament in Arabic, with the Annotations, Contents, and Marginal References, as sent from Aleppo. That a Proposal having been made to print 1500. Copies of the New Testament in Folio, in 2. Columns, so order'd that the Composition of each Column might serve to print the 8.<sup>th</sup> Edition before the Letters are dispers'd: And that 250. Copies of the Annotations, without the Contents and parallel Places, be printed seperately by themselves, in Folio, as a Present to M<sup>r</sup>. Sherman.
- Min. 2. They are of Opinion that 1500. Copies of the New Testament in Folio, and 250. Copies of the Annotations, the latter as a Present to M<sup>r</sup>. Sherman, be printed seperately as propos'd, provided the Society be satisfy'd in the Orthodoxy of the Annotations, and that the Fund for doing this be sufficient to defray the Charge of it.
- Min. 3. The Committee considering of this Report, Agreed to recommend it to the Society to approve of printing the New Testament in Arabic, and the Annotations as propos'd by the Committee for the Arabic Impressions.
- Min. 12. M<sup>r</sup>. Dadihi laid before the Committee a Translation of the Annotations in Arabic, on several Texts, as mention'd this Day Tenight.
- Min. 13. Agreed that M<sup>r</sup>. Bedford be desir'd to inspect the said Translation, and give his Opinion of the Annotations.

Dec<sup>r</sup>. 2. Min. 4. The Report of the Committee of the 30.<sup>th</sup> Novemb. concerning an Impression of 1500. Copies in Folio of the New Testament in Arabic, and

and 250. Copies of the Annotations &c. being made.  
Min. 5. The Society considering thereof, Agreed that the Matter of this Report be recommitted.

Min. 6. M<sup>r</sup> Bedford reported that he had revised the Translation of the Annotations in Arabic on several Texts of the New Testament, as sent from Aleppo, and that he had made several Remarks thereon, which were read.

Min. 7. Agreed that these Remarks, and Annotations they refer to, be refer'd to the Committee.

Min. 8. Agreed that M<sup>r</sup> Bedford be desired, with the Secretary, to wait on the Bp. of Landaff, with the Copy of the New Testament and Annotations, in Folio, sent from Aleppo, to request his Lordships Advice to the Society about printing the Annotations with the Text.

Dec. 21. Min. 11. A Draught of a Memorial to his Grace the Arch Bp. of Canterbury, concerning the printing the Annotations &c. with the Text of the New Testament in Arabic, being laid before the Committee.

Min. 12. Agreed that it be finally refer'd to the Committee for Arabic Impressions to prepare their Memorial, and give their Directions for presenting it to his Grace.

Min. 13. Agreed that the Gentlemen present be desired to meet here this Afternoon, by 5. a Clock as a Committee for Arabic Impressions.

21. Min. 1. The Committee consider'd the Draught of a Memorial to his Grace the Arch Bp. of Canterbury, and other Lords the Bishops, requesting their Lordships Opinion of the Advisableness of printing the Annotations &c. with the Text of the New Testament in Arabic, the same being read, several Amendments were made to it: And it was agreed that a fair Copy should be prepared to be laid before his Grace and the Lords the Bishops, who are to meet at Lambeth next Monday, and that D<sup>r</sup> Lisle, M<sup>r</sup> Bedford, M<sup>r</sup> Soley, M<sup>r</sup> Thomas, and M<sup>r</sup> Dadichi, with the Secretary, attend his Grace therewith.

28. Min. 2. Upon reading a Letter from D<sup>r</sup> Lisle of this Day, signifying his Grace the Arch Bp. of Canterbury's Sentiments, in Answer to the Society's Memorial, about printing the Annotations on the New Testament as transmitted from Aleppo.

" That his Grace wishes the Scripture may be printed nakedly  
" and simply by it self, and thinks it a more probable Way,  
" of doing Service, to print the Notes in a separate Volume,  
" if the Society's Fund should ever enable them to do it."

Janry. 4. Min. 10. The Committee resum'd the Debate of this Day Tenight concerning printing the Annotations with the New Testament in Arabic; and Agreed to go on with the Debate this Day Tenight.

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Janry. 11. Min. 9.

The Committee considering further of the Impression of the New Testament in Arabic.

Min. 10. Agreed that this Matter be further considered this Day Tenight, and that in the mean Time, M<sup>r</sup>. Bedford be desired to inform himself, and the Committee,

Whether M<sup>r</sup>. Caslon be at Liberty to make a New Font of Arabic Types, larger than those already made for the Society?

When he can finish a New Font, if it shall be thought fit to have one? And what will be the Charge of it?

Min. 11. Agreed that a Copy of the Minutes relating to the Arabic Impressions be continued to this Time and brought to the Committee.

18. Min. 5.

M<sup>r</sup>. Caslon attending without was called in, and acquainted the Committee that he had near finished the Orthographical Marks to the Font of Arabic Types already made for the Society. That he would undertake to make a New Font of Arabic Types, of a great Primmer Size, in a Twelvemonth Time: And supposing the Society would take off 6. hundred Weight of Letters, he would afford them at 2<sup>s</sup> 6<sup>d</sup> pound, provided the Society would take off 2. hundred Weight of Points, Spaces and Quadrates of the Nonpareil Size at 5<sup>s</sup> 6<sup>d</sup> pound; and that he would take the Punchons and Matrices, of the former Font, in part of Payment at the same Price he sold them to the Society for.

Min. 6. The Committee considering of the further Steps to be taken in printing the Arabic Impressions, and having largely debated thereon, and considered the Extent of the Funds; and several Minutes of what the Society had already resolved were read, particularly those of the 23<sup>d</sup> and 30<sup>d</sup> of November last.

Min. 7. Upon which the Question was put.

Min. 8. Whether 4500. Copies of the New Testament in Arabic, shall be printed in the same Letter as the Psalter was printed?

Min. 9. And the Members present being severally asked by the Chairman — their Opinion, they all, excepting one, were of Opinion that 4500. Copies of the New Testament be printed in the same Letter as the Psalter was printed, but without Prejudice to any future Edition in a large Letter, when the Society shall be enabled by Benefactions to undertake an Impression in a larger Letter.

Febr'y. 3. Min. 3. Upon reading Min<sup>utes</sup> 6. 7. 8 and 9. of the 18<sup>th</sup> January concerning the Impression of the New Testament in Arabic.

Min. 4. Agreed that 4500. Copies of the New Testament in Arabic, — consisting of the Text only, without Annotations, be printed as proposed by the Committee.

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Min. 4. Sir John Philipps reported that D.<sup>r</sup> Mayo and himself had waited on the Right Honorable S.<sup>r</sup> Rob.<sup>t</sup> Walpole about the King's Bounty to the Impression of the New Testament in Arabick, and that S.<sup>r</sup> Robert had assured them that in a few Days they might expect to hear from him concerning that Affair.

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Feb. 8. Min. 10. Agreed that M.<sup>r</sup> Carlson be wrote to hasten the finishing of the Orthographical Marks for the Arabic Impressions.

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15. Min. 5. Doct.<sup>r</sup> Mayo moved for Leave to put out 500. £. of the Ballance of the Money in his Hands on Account of the Arabic Impressions in such Manner as to improve the Fund for this Charity till the Society have Occasion for it.

Min. 6. Agreed that Doct.<sup>r</sup> Mayo be desired to lay out 500. £. as he proposes in South Sea Annuities.

M.<sup>r</sup> Thomas reported from the Auditor of the Society's Accounts, that State of Receipts and Payments, on account of the Arabick Impressions, are as follow, viz<sup>t</sup>.

Receipts by the Rever. D.<sup>r</sup> Mayo including £. 1. 2  
the Ballances of last years Receipts in M.<sup>r</sup> Hoare's and his hands. } 831. -- 7

Payments by D.<sup>r</sup> Mayo on said Account. } 129. 3. 7

Ballance remaining in Hand to } 701. 17. --  
carry on the said Impressions. }

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22. Min. 5. Doct.<sup>r</sup> Mayo reported that according to Order, last Tuesday, he had bought 500. £. South Sea Annuities at 2. and a Half Cent Premium, for the Use of the Arabic Impressions, which come to. 512. 10. --  
Commission for Ditto. 12. 6

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and that the 500. £. is transferd to his Account in the Annuity Books of the South Sea Company.

March 3. Min. 4. Agreed that M.<sup>r</sup> Bryan be desired to give his Company at the Committee next Tuesday, to advise about the Orthographical Marks intended to be used in the Impression of the New Testament in Arabick.

Min. 5. Agreed that the Letters from M.<sup>r</sup> Sherman, and Don Pedro de Oliva at Aleppo, about the Orthographical Marks, be brought to the next Committee.

Min. 6. Agreed that the Original Copies in M.<sup>s</sup> of the New Testament in Arabick, be sent to M.<sup>r</sup> Bryan for him to consider which of the Orthographical Marks may be necessary for the Society to use in the Impressions.

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8. Min. 10. Agreed that M.<sup>r</sup> Carlson be desired to send the Orthographical Marks, as he has promised in his Letter by the latter End of this Week, in Order to be sent to M.<sup>r</sup> Palmer for a printed Specimen from them with the Letter used in the Impression of the Prater, so as to be ready by next Tuesday.

March 29. Min. 12. The Committee resuming the Consideration of the further Measures to be taken for putting the New Testament in Arabick into the Press; 3 Specimens of a Page of the Digness of Experiens's Page, with the Orthographical Marks, were laid before the Committee, with M<sup>r</sup>. Negri's Opinion of them communicated in Writing, and M<sup>r</sup>. Dadichi having signify'd his Opinion, by M<sup>r</sup>. Soley, that the Orthographical Marks, necessary to be used, are only those used in the M<sup>s</sup>. excepting in such where it shall appear the Transcriber has made Mistakes, which are to be rectify'd by the Correctors, as they shall agree among themselves.

Min. 13. And the Archbishop of Canterbury's Opinion concerning the Impression, communicated the 28. December last, with several Minutes relating to it being also read.

Min. 14. Agreed that an Impression of 4500. Copies of the New Testament in Arabick, be made in 4<sup>to</sup> with Long Lines, and with the Orthographical Marks used in the Copies sent from Aleppo, but without the Contents, Annotations and paralel Places used in those Copies.

April 5. Min. 8. Agreed that the Committee consider, this Day Fortnight, what Number of New Testaments in Arabick shall be printed above the Number of 4500, and in what Manner; and that Notice be given to M<sup>r</sup>. Bryan, M<sup>r</sup>. Bedford, M<sup>r</sup>. Soley and the other Gentlemen, as used to be consulted by the Committee, to give their Company at the same Time.

12. Min. 11. The Committee being inform'd that M<sup>r</sup>. Acres, the Arabick Composer, had attended about twenty Times since he was out of M<sup>r</sup>. Palmer's Service, and that such Attendance was always to his Prejudice, as it hinder'd his daily Work.

Min. 12. Agreed that D<sup>r</sup>. Mayo be desir'd to give M<sup>r</sup>. Acres, 2 Guineas as a Gratuity for his extraordinary Attendance on the Society.

19. Min. 11. The Committee considering of the Preference of the 3<sup>rd</sup> of this Month, concerning the Number of New Testaments to be printed in Arabick above the 4500. formerly agreed on, and in what Manner.

Min. 12. After some Debate upon it, agreed to defer the Consideration of it till the Society are satisfy'd that their Fund will enable them to print more than 4500.

Min. 13. Agreed that M<sup>r</sup>. Palmer be desir'd to compose a 4<sup>to</sup> Page full charg'd with long Lines on a Crown Paper, and another on Fool's Capp, and one in 8<sup>vo</sup> on Demy with the Orthographical Marks: And that the same be done from the 3. Chapter of S<sup>t</sup>. Matthew's Gospel in Experiens's Edition of the New Testament in Arabick.

26. Min. 6. The several Specimens of Arabick Composition, according to Order of last Meeting, were brought by M<sup>r</sup>. Palmer to the Committee, and also several other Specimens of 4<sup>to</sup> in two Columns, which being consider'd of, the Committee

Committee of Opinion, that the 4<sup>th</sup> in 2 columns on Crown Paper, a black Line in the Middle, and the Verses distinguished with a Blank at the End of them, will be the most proper to be used by the Society in the Impression of the New Testament, it appearing to the Committee that a Page of that Composition contained more than a Page on the same Paper in long Lines, and would in the whole New Testament save 7 Sheets, which the Committee were not apprized of the 29<sup>th</sup> of March, when they came to a Resolution of printing in long Lines.

April 26<sup>th</sup> Min. 7.

Agreed that several Specimens of the best Crown Paper be brought to the next Committee, and the Prices of them.

Min. 10.

The Reverend Mr. Bedford having been desired by the Committee to assist in Correcting the Arabic Impression of the New Testament, laid a Paper before them which, at his Desire, was inserted on the Minutes, and is as follows viz<sup>t</sup>.

"The Objections of Arthur Bedford against Printing the Arabic New Testament by the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, with the Types which they are now possessed of.

"That he thinks the Character to be so small, as to be useless to aged Eyes  
"That he thinks it will make the Edition contemptible to Turks and Papists in those Countries, where Books of Value, and especially the Alcoran, are always written in a larger Character. That his Majesty being a Benefactor, he fears it may occasion Reflections upon him, which may prove to his Diservice in those Parts, where the Books are to be sent. That his Majesty's Interpreter was always for a larger Character, and agrees in this with the Editors of the Polyglott, and the Books which D. Pocock printed for the Use of those Countries. That he also fears that this Impression will prevent another, in which the Comment and parallel Places were to be inserted for the Use of the Clergy, by the Advice (as he believes) of the late Patriarch of Antioch, and the Approbation of the New; which Clergy are generally for, & distribute of Books; and which Annotations were intended (as he believes) to bring them off from their present Sceptical to a Practical Way of Preaching. And if also by this Method the other Impression should be hindered, it would prevent the Design of the Preface, which is (as he apprehends) to encourage an Impression of the Old Testament by a Contribution in those Parts.

Arthur Bedford.

Min. 11.

The Committee agreed that those Things have been formerly represented to them by the said Mr. Bedford; that they will take the Blame, if any should happen of the Consequences he apprehends, upon themselves, and do hereby direct their Secretary (whenever desired) to give the said Mr. Bedford a Copy of this their Resolution.

Min. 12.

Agreed that D. Mays be desired to pay Mr. Palmer 3. Guineas for his Trouble in preparing Specimens of the Impression to be made of the New Testament

May 3. Min. 5.

Mr. Brewer attending without with several Specimens of Printing Paper, The Committee agreed to recommend to the Society the fine Paper

Guinea Paper marked G.F. valued at 10.9 of Team, to be used in the Impression of the New Testament in Arabick.

May 3. Min. 6.

Upon Mr. Bedford's Motion. Agreed that Mr. Caslon make a Tunchoon and Matrix for a Letter that is wanting; and that Mr. Bedford and Mr. Caslon do view the Alphabet and take care that those Letters which are too small be made new and compleat. And that Mr. Caslon from time to time cast such Letters as may be necessary for the Printer to compleat his Composition: And that Mr. Bedford give Mr. Caslon a Note in Writing of such Letters as are so cast, that the Society may the better know what they have to pay for.

5<sup>th</sup> Min. 6.

Upon reading the Minutes of the Committee relating to the Arabick Impressions, and the Sortment of Paper propos'd to be used in the Impression of the New Testament. The Society agreed with the Committee in all the Steps they have taken therein.

10<sup>th</sup> Min. 4.

The Secretary laid before the Committee the Arabick Ms. lately sent from Aleppo by Mr. Sherman, being a Translation of S. Chrysostom's - Life, as mention'd in the last Letter from Mr. Sherman, which he recommends to be printed by the Society, when they have accomplished the Impression of the New Testament.

Min. 5.

Agreed that the Contract with Mr. Palmer be brought to the Committee this Day Tenight, and that Mr. Palmer be desir'd to give his Company at the same Time.

Min. 6.

Agreed that the Rever. Mr. John Gagnier at Oxford be desir'd to give his Assistance in Correcting the Sheets of the New Testament in Arabick as they are printed; and if he is willing to undertake it, to signify upon what Terms he would be willing to give his Assistance, and how Proofs may be convey'd to him, and return'd in the safest and most expeditious Manner.

Min. 8.

Agreed that the Secretary wait on the Bp. of S. Davids for his Lordships Advice in what Manner to apply to the Bishops that are in Town, who have not been Benefactors to the Arabick Impressions, for their Lordships Favour towards the Impression of the New Testament.

17. Min. 5.

Upon reading a Letter from Mr. Gagnier at Oxford of the 15. Curr. - accepting of the Society's Desire to be a Corrector of the Impression of the New Testament in Arabick upon the same Terms as they pay others.

Min. 6.

Agreed that the Thanks of the Society be sent to Mr. Gagnier, and that he be acquainted with the Terms on which the Society have been

already assist'd: And to signify that his correcting the sheets, as they come to his hands, will require the same Care and Diligence.

Min. 12.

Mr. Palmer attending without was call'd in, and being ask'd about his Readiness to proceed in the Impression of the New Testament in Arabick, he acquainted the Committee, that since they had resolv'd to use the Orthographic Mar'ks, he could not compose in Arabick, upon the Terms of a Guinea a Sheet as mention'd in the Contract with the Society, without being a Loser. And being ask'd upon what Terms he would compose in Arabick, with

with the Orthographical Marks, he said the first sheet was for with the Orthographical Marks, was 2. 12. 6. a Sheet, and that he was to be considered if it should appear to the Society that he should be allowed at that Rate.

- May. 17. Min. 13. The Committee considering of the same, and considering the Terms of the Contract, Agreed that 2. 12. 6. a Sheet be allow'd to M.<sup>r</sup> Palmer in stead of a Guinea, and that no other Part of the Contract be by this Alteration understood to be broke in upon.
- Min. 14. Agreed that the Orthographical Marks be inserted according to the Directions of Don Pedro de Oliva's Letter.
- Min. 15. Agreed that the Secretary have an Account, on the Tuesday before the Monthly Meetings of the Society, of the Progress of the Impression to be communicated to the Society.
- Min. 16. Agreed that a Copy of Don Pedro de Oliva's Letter, be sent to M.<sup>r</sup> Bedford, M.<sup>r</sup> Dadichi, M.<sup>r</sup> Negri and M.<sup>r</sup> Gagnier, for their Direction in Correcting the Proof Sheet.
- Min. 17. Agreed that a Copy of M.<sup>r</sup> Bedford's Letter to M.<sup>r</sup> Sherman, on the Subject of the Orthographical Marks, or the Book in which the Letter is written, and also of the Folio New Testament, in Arabic, with some part of the Beginning of the New Testament, as Transcribed by M.<sup>r</sup> Dadichi, be sent to M.<sup>r</sup> Bedford.
- Min. 18. Agreed that when the second Sheet is printed off, an Estimate of the Charge of the Impression (as near as it can be computed) be laid before the Society, before the Letters of the 1<sup>st</sup> Sheet are distributed.
- Min. 19. Agreed that the Punches, Mould and Matrices, is a Box belonging to the Society, but now in the Custody of M.<sup>r</sup> Bedford, be deliver'd to M.<sup>r</sup> Carlson (he giving a Receipt for the same) to be used by him for the Service of the Society as occasion shall require.
- Min. 20. The Secretary reported that he had according to Order waited on the Bishop of S.<sup>t</sup> Davids for His Lordships Instructions about applying to the Bishops in Town for their Lordships Benefactions to the Arabic Impressions; and that the Secretary was now pursuing His Lordships Directions therein.
24. Min. 4. The Committee resuming the Consideration of the Paper to be used in the Impression of the New Testament in Arabic, and M.<sup>r</sup> Brewer and M.<sup>r</sup> Palmer being consulted on several Specimens now laid before the Committee.
- Min. 5. Agreed that instead of the Genoa Paper G.F. proposed the 3. Curr! that the Fine Dutch Demy marked WB, and a Marquis's Coronet upon it, at 13. a Ream with the Outsides, be the Paper to be used in the Impression of the New Testament in Arabic, and a Sheet of the same was accordingly marked by the Chairman S.<sup>r</sup> John Gonsora.
- Min. 6. Agreed that M.<sup>r</sup> Brewer be desired to send in 400 Ream of that Sort of Paper, immediately, to M.<sup>r</sup> Palmer.
31. Min. 14. A Specimen of the Dutch Median Paper was laid before the Committee at 2. 3. a Ream with Outsides for Ten Copies of the New Testament in Arabic, for such Uses as the Society shall direct.

Agreed

May 31. Min. 4. Agreed that 600 Copies of the New Testament be printed instead of the 4500. proposed the 5<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> of April last.

June 2. Min. 3. Upon reading Min. the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> of the 17<sup>th</sup> May about writing to M<sup>r</sup>. Gagnier at Oxford to assist in correcting the Arabick Impressions.

Min. 4. Agreed that it be referred to the Committee to consider whether M<sup>r</sup>. Gagnier's Assistance may be necessary.

Min. 16. M<sup>r</sup>. Bedford acquainted the Committee that he had delivered, according to Order, the Arabick Punchons and Matrices &c. belonging to the Society, and taken a Receipt for them; which being read and some Objections made to the Terms of it.

Min. 17. Agreed that the Secretary prepare a proper Receipt for M<sup>r</sup>. Easton to sign to M<sup>r</sup>. Bedford in behalf of the Society.

Min. 22. The Secretary reported that D<sup>r</sup>. Mayo and he had this day attended the Lords Comm<sup>s</sup>. of the Treasury with a Short Memorial in the Name of the Society for his Majesty's Bounty to the Arabick Impressions, and with a Letter to S<sup>r</sup>. Robert Walpole, from S<sup>r</sup>. John Philipps, recommending the same: That he was inform'd their Lordships had thereupon order'd a Warrant to prepar'd for his Majesty's Sign Manual for the Payment of 500. £. towards the Charge of the Impressions of the New Testament in Arabick.

June 7<sup>th</sup>. Min. 1. Upon reading Minutes of the 31<sup>st</sup> May concerning the Specimen of Dutch Paper, at 2. 3. — of Ream.

Min. 2. Agreed that one Ream of the said Paper be bought for the Ten Copies of the New Testament, in Arabick, intended for presents for his Majesty &c.

Min. 3. Agreed that 500. Copies of the first Leaf of the New Testament, in Arabick, be printed off, beside the Number of New Testaments order'd to be printed for Palestine: And that those Leaves be sent in the next Annual Packets to all the Residing and Corresponding Members.

Min. 6. Agreed that M<sup>r</sup>. Bedford be allow'd to give M<sup>r</sup>. Ares, who is employ'd by M<sup>r</sup>. Palmer in composing the New Testament in Arabick, 5. Shillings a Sheet to encourage his Dispatch and Care of the Work, in Case he shall deserve it, over and above what M<sup>r</sup>. Palmer gives him.

June 14<sup>th</sup>. Min. 3. Sir John Genson reported that he had talk'd with M<sup>r</sup>. Cholmley about abating of the Demands for binding the New Testament in Arabick in 4<sup>to</sup> and that he was willing to undertake the doing of it at 18. a Book in Calf and every Sheet to be sew'd.

Min. 4. M<sup>r</sup>. Easton attending was call'd in and acquainted the Committee, that he had justifi'd all the Arabick Matrices to one of the Moulds belonging to the

to the Society, and that he was content to take the other Mold in Consideration of his Labour therein.

Min. 5. Agreed that M<sup>r</sup>. Caslon be allowed to have one of the two Casting Letter Molds, belonging to the Society, in Consideration of his Labour in justifying all the Matrices to one Mould.

Min. 6. M<sup>r</sup>. Caslon laid before the Committee an Account of what was due to him for Orthographical Marks and Arabick Letters sent to M<sup>r</sup>. Palmer since the last Account, amounting to . . . . . £. 20..12..9.

Min. 7. Agreed that M<sup>r</sup>. Bedford be desired to examine the said Account, and upon certifying that the same is just to the Secretary, the Rever. S<sup>r</sup>. May be desired to pay M<sup>r</sup>. Caslon what shall appear to be due to him.

Min. 8. M<sup>r</sup>. Bedford laid before the Committee, a Proof of the first Sheet of the New Testament in Arabick, and an Estimate of the Charge of printing Ten Thousand Copies of the New Testament in Arabick, by which the whole was included in 2000. £. being as follows,

Composing 50. Sheets at 2..12..6. $\frac{1}{2}$ Sheet	131..5..	£s. s. d.
Gratuity to M <sup>r</sup> . Clerke at 5. $\frac{1}{2}$ Sheet	12..10..	143..15..
Printing at 5. $\frac{1}{2}$ Sheet		250: —
Correcting at 10. $\frac{1}{2}$ Sheet		25.. —
Binding at 1 $\frac{1}{6}$ $\frac{1}{2}$ Sheet for 10,000. Copies		750.. —
A Ream of Paper for finer Books		1.. 4..
Printing the finer Books		— 5..
Binding the finer Books at 5. each		2.. 10..
Paper for 500. Specimens		— 4..
Printing 500. Specimens		— 5..
For 100. Ream of Paper making 500,000, at } 452. Sheets to a Ream at 13. $\frac{1}{2}$ Ream		720.. 4..
Incidental Charges		106.. 13..
		£. 2000.. —

Min. 9. Agreed that 10. Thousand Copies of the New Testament in Arabick be printed instead of 6. Thousand formerly proposed.

Min. 10. M<sup>r</sup>. Bedford acquainted the Committee that he had taken the Liberty to write to M<sup>r</sup>. Chappelow, Arabick Professor at Cambridge, to know his Inclination to undertake assisting the Society as a Corrector of the New Testament, and that he had received a Letter from him in Answer dated the 11<sup>th</sup>. Curr<sup>t</sup>. signifying that he was ready to give all the Assistance he could to the Society in the Impression of the New Testament.

Min. 11. Agreed that M<sup>r</sup>. Bedford be desired to give the Thanks of the Society to M<sup>r</sup>. Chappelow for his kind Readiness to assist in Correcting the New Testament, and that 2. Copies of the Arabick Prætor in large and bold 8.<sup>vo</sup> with  $\frac{1}{2}$ . a dozen Extracts of Letters relating to the Arabick Impressions be sent to him at the same time.

Agreed

June 14. Min. 15. Agreed that a proof of the New Testament in Arabic be sent to Mr. <sup>Bedford</sup> with the 8<sup>th</sup> Copy to correct it by; and that the Secretary desire his Assistance in Correcting the Impressions.

24. Min. 1. The Secretary reported that he had attended this Morning at the Treasury, where he was inform'd his Majesty had signed a Warrant for granting a Bounty of 500. l. to the Impression of the N. Testam. in Arabic, and that it was expected it would in a Day or <sup>fortnight</sup> time be countersigned by the Lords of the Treasury.

Min. 6. Agreed that the Copy of the M.S. Tract in Arabic, lent to the Society by Mr. Denner, be lent to Mr. Bedford.

Min. 7. Agreed that the Secretary endeavour to obtain Leave at the General Post Office for sending, Frank to and from the Rev. Mr. Chappelow, Professor of Arabic at Cambridge, the Proof of the Sheet of the New Testament in Arabic, as they come from the Press.

Min. 11. Upon a Motion made by Mr. Bedford, Agreed that a Guinea be given to Mr. Dadihi for his trouble in Translating a small Arabic M.S. entitled Aulus and Orders about a Christian &c. as recommended by the Popish Clergy in Palestine to their Proselytes, transmitted to the Society by Mr. Sherman; and that Dr. Mayo be desired to pay the Guinea.

28. Min. 5. Upon reading 3. Copies of Letters from Mr. Sherman at Aleppo of the 10<sup>th</sup> Decem<sup>r</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> March last, complaining of several Errata in the printed Tract sent over to him, and desiring the Copies to be sent hereafter may be free from the like Objections.

Min. 6. Agreed that Mr. Bedford be desired to examine the Errata as sent from Aleppo in a Letter dated 5. June 1725, and that he confer with Mr. Dadihi about the best Means of Correcting them, And report their Opinion concerning the same the first Opportunity.

Min. 11. Agreed that the Folio Tract in M.S. and the Folio Impressions at Aleppo of the Gospels, be sent to Mr. Bedford.

July 5. Min. 9. The Secretary laid before the Committee an Account of the Paper sent in to Mr. Palmer for the Impression of the New Testam. in Arabic amounting to 262. l.

Min. 10. Agreed that Mr. Palmer be desired, by this Day Senight, to signify to the Committee, That he has received so much Paper as is mention'd in the Acct, in Order to its being paid for.

11. Upon a Motion made, Agreed that a Copy of the Memorials to any Minister of State requesting a Recommendation of the Arabic Impressions to His Majesty's Royal Encouragement, be brought to the Society next Thursday. And that the Secretary in the Mean time prepare a proper Memorial to the Prince, for His Royal Highness's Favour to the same Undertaking.

A Draught

July 7<sup>th</sup> Min. 6. A Draught of a Memorial to his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales recommending the Impression of the New Testament in Arabick to 1721. Princely Consideration and Encouragement, was laid before the Society and read.

Min. 7. Agreed that Mr. Bedford be desired to recommend the same to Mr. Molyneux, and request his Opinion of the Terms of it before it be presented.

12. Min. 1. Mr. Bedford reported that he had received a Letter from Mr. John Gray Secretary to Mr. Molyneux at Kew, signifying that he very well liked the Memorial to the Prince, requesting his Royal Highness to encourage the Impression of the New Testament in Arabick.

2. Agreed that the Secretary wait upon the Speaker of the House of Commons with a fair Copy of the Draught, and request he would be pleased to recommend it to his Royal Highness for his Favour towards the Undertaking.

3. Mr. Bedford acquainted the Committee that he had conferred with Mr. Thomas Philippe Secretary to the Commissioners for 50. Churches, and was well satisfied in his Ability to undertake the Business of a Corrector of the Arabick Impressions, and that he was willing to serve the Society in that Character.

7. Agreed that Mr. Philippe be desired to assist in correcting the New Testament in Arabick, while it is in the Press.

8. A Letter from Mr. Negri of the 8<sup>th</sup> Current was read, concerning some Objections to the Copy of the New Testament sent from Aleppo.

9. Agreed that this Letter be considered at a fuller Meeting, and that Dr. Mayo be desired to give his Company at the same time.

10. The Committee being put in Mind of Mr. Brewer's Bill for 400. Reams of Paper sent to Mr. Palmer.

11. Agreed that Dr. Mayo be desired to pay the Bill when he is satisfied of the Papers being delivered to Mr. Palmer.

13. Agreed that Mr. Dadichi be desired to give his Opinion in Writing, concerning the Copy sent from Aleppo.

14. Upon Mr. Bedford's Motion: Agreed that it be considered in what Method the Correctors may proceed in their Revising Proofs from the Press, so as to avoid making Mistakes.

19. Min. 3. Upon reading a Letter from Mr. Sherman of the 10<sup>th</sup> Decemb. 1725. complaining of the great Trouble he has had and shall have in Correcting with the Pen, all the Errata of the Press in the Palace.

4. Agreed that the Errata as sent from Aleppo be printed so as to be pasted on one of the Blank Leaves, if Mr. Sherman does approve of that Method of Correcting the Copies remaining undistributed.

Agreed—

- July 3. Min. 5. Agreed that a Letter to Mr. Sherman be prepared against next Committee on the foregoing Minute.
- Min. 10. Upon reading Minutes of the 5<sup>th</sup> July Curr. relating to Mr. Brewer's Account of the Charge for Paper sent in to Mr. Palmer, on Account of the Arabick Impressions.
11. D<sup>r</sup> Mayo acquainted the Committee that he had been satisfied of the Delivery of the Paper to Mr. Palmer, and of the Reason of the Difference of the Price of it from what had been used in the Palter, and that he had thereupon paid Mr. Brewer 262 £.
12. The Secretary reported that S<sup>r</sup> John Gimson and he had waited on the Speaker of the House of Commons with the Society's Memorial to the Prince on the Subject of the King's Bounty to the Arabick Impressions, and that he desired to be excused presenting the Memorial, tho' he should be ready to promote the Design of it as far as in him lay: That as it was a Religious-Affair, it would be properly presented by some Bishop. That accordingly His Grace of Canterbury had been waited on, and declined presenting it, because it had not been presented by His Grace to the King, however he would prepare His Royal Highness to expect such an Application, if Mr. Molynaux, or some other Person, would take Care to present in some reasonable Time after next Thursday.
13. Agreed that Mr. Dean Harris be acquainted with this Report, and that Mr. Bedford be desired to wait on him next Friday, to pursue that Method that shall be thought most advisable for presenting the Memorial.
14. Upon reading a Letter from Mr. Dadihi in Answer to the Objection made by Mr. Negri to the M<sup>s</sup>. Copy of the New Testament.
15. Agreed that Mr. Bedford be desired to go on with the Impression according to the Copy sent from Aleppo.
26. Min. 4. Mr. Bedford reported that he had been at Richmond, and acquainted Mr. Molynaux and Mr. Dean Harris with the Memorial of the Society to His Royal Highness for His Favour to the Arabick Impressions, and that they both agreed that it would be absolutely necessary, to make it effectual, to prevail with some Bishop to present the Memorial to the Prince.
5. Agreed that Mr. Bedford and the Secretary wait upon the Bishop of Durham to request His Lordship's good Offices in presenting His Royal Highness with the said Memorial.

August 4<sup>th</sup> Min. 3. Agreed that Mr. Bedford and the Secretary wait upon the Bishop of Durham to request His Lordship's good Offices in presenting His Highness with the said Memorial.

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Aug. 2. Min. 3. The Secretary reported that the Bishop of Durham having been upon according to Order last Meeting, about presenting the Memorial to the Prince in Favour of the Arabick Impressions, His Lordship accepted to do it, upon Condition that he might take his own time to present it.

Aug. 4. Min. 6. Agreed that Mr. Bedford be desired to request the Vicechancellor of Oxford's good Offices in recommending the Arabick Impressions to the University for their Encouragement; and 2. Copies of the Tract in Arabick in fine paper well bound be sent to Mr. Bedford to present to the Vicechancellor and the Bodleian Library.

9. Min. 10. Upon reading Minutes of the 12<sup>th</sup> July last concerning the Method of Correcting the Press, Mr. Bedford laid before the Committee a proposal of a Method so order'd as to prevent Mistakes in the Impression as much as possible; And the same being read, was approv'd of, and the Committee leave it to Mr. Bedford to alter it as he shall see Occasion.

Min. 12. Agreed that Mr. Bedford be desired to gratify Mr. Wret for his extraordinary trouble in altering the Orthographical Marks in the three A. Sheets of the New Testament, as he shall think fit.

30. Min. 3. Agreed that Mr. Sadicki have Leave to go into the Country for 14 Days, the Arabick Impressions not requiring his Attendance for that time.

Min. 4. Mr. Bedford reported that he had been at Oxford, and had presented the Society's Proposals for printing the New Testament in Arabick; That the Copies of the Tract to the Vicechancellor and Bodleian Library were thankfully accepted; That most of the Bishops and many of the Heads of Houses were out of Town; That he was advised there, that as Doctor Felton Principal of Edmund Hall, was a Corresponding Member of the Society, any Proposal by him to the Heads of Houses, and from thence to the University hereafter, would be readily accepted.

Min. 5. Dr. Mayo reported that he had attended at the Treasury last Week with S<sup>r</sup>. John Philipps's Letter to S<sup>r</sup>. Robert Walpole; and that Mr. Felton told him, after the Board was up, that the Warrant for his Majesty's Bounty remained unsigned.

Min. 6. Agreed that the Secretary attend at the Treasury to solicit an Answer to S<sup>r</sup>. John Philipps's Letter.

Min. 9. Upon reading a Letter from Dr. Mangey at Oxford 25<sup>th</sup> August signifying that Mr. Hunt, of Hart Hall, would readily accept of being one of the Correctors of the Proofs of the New Testament in Arabick, and to do it gratis.

Min. 10. Agreed that Doctor Mangey be desired to give the Thanks of the Society to Mr. Hunt for his kind Offer; and that it be recommended to Mr. Bedford to send a Proof to Mr. Hunt when he thinks proper.

Mr. Bedford

Aug. 30. Min. 11. Mr. Bedford reported that he and the Secretary had waited on Mr. Sale of the Inner Temple, to request his Undertaking the Trust of being one of the Correctors of the New Testament in Arabic; and that he readily accepted to be one of the Correctors gratis.

Min. 12. Agreed that the Thanks of the Society be given to Mr. Sale for candidly offering himself to promote so good a Design, without any Reward.

Min. 13. Agreed that Mr. Bedford be desired to prepare a proper Letter to be sent with the Specimen of the New Letter in Arabic in the next Packet sent out by Order of the Society.

Septemb. 1. Min. 5. Agreed that the Society be put in Mind, this Day Month, of giving Directions about writing to Doctor Felton at Oxford upon his recommending the Arabic Impressions to the University of Oxford.

Min. 6. The Secretary reported that he had this Day attended at the Treasury, and that the Lords Comm. of the Treasury had signed a Warrant to the Earl of Halifax for making out the proper Order for issuing the Money for his Majesty's Bounty to the Impression of the New Testament in Arabic.

6. Min. 4. Mr. Bedford reported that Mr. Palmer began yesterday to work off the 1. Sheet of the New Testament in Arabic; And that the Method of Correcting the Press, was now so well settled, that they hoped to dispatch one Sheet in a Week.

Min. 5. Upon Mr. Bedford's Motion, Agreed that all the West. Copy of the New Testament in Arabic, by Mr. Sadich, be sent to Mr. Bedford to be put into the Press as the Sheets are wanted.

Min. 6. Mr. Bedford reported that he had considered according to Order, of the 9. of August, of Mr. Alers extraordinary Service in his Trouble of correcting the 3. first Sheets of the New Testament in Arabic, by recomposing and altering several Pages; and that he was of Opinion he deserved a Guinea.

Min. 7. Agreed that Dr. Mays be desired to pay a Guinea to Mr. Alers for his Service on Account of the Arabic Impressions.

Min. 8. Mr. Bedford, according to Order, laid before the Committee a Draft of a Letter proposed to be sent in the next Packets to the Residing and Corresponding Members with a Specimen of the Arabic Letter that the New Testament is to be printed in; and the same being read:

Min. 9. Agreed that Mr. John Genson be desired to peruse, and give his Opinion of it.

13. Min. 3. Upon a Motion made, Agreed that Mr. Bedford be desired to pay the Postage of the Packets he sends and receives, on the Society's Account for the Arabic Proofs to and from Oxford and Cambridge; and to keep an

And account of his own Disbursements for Letters sent to himself on the same to be discharged by the Society.

Sept. 13. Min. 5.

Agreed that the Polyglot Bible with Casteli Lexicon, in the Society's Store, be sent to Mr. Sale for his Use in correcting the Arabick Proofs of the New Testament. And that a Note be taken by the Secretary for the Return of em when delivered.

Min. 6.

S<sup>r</sup> John Gouson reported that he had perus'd Mr Bedford's Draught of a Letter to be sent with an Arabick proof in the Society's next packets, and the same being again read: Agreed that the further Consideration of this Letter be delayed till there are more Members in Town to be consulted on the Contents of it.

Min. 7.

Agreed that 500. Copies of the two first Pages of S<sup>t</sup> Matthew's Gospel be printed off, as a Specimen of the Arabick Impression now making to be used as the Society shall hereafter direct.

27<sup>th</sup> Min. 5.

Mr Palmer laid before the Committee an Account for composing the first 6. Sheets, of the New Testament in Arabick viz. a. b. c. d. e. f. at 2. 12. 6. <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>

Sheet amounting to - - - at the Press - - - - - £5. 15. -

For working off 10,000. Copies of the first 6. Sheets at 10 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> } 30. - - -  
Thousand, or 5. for 10,000. Copies of one Sheet - - -

Amounts to - - - - - £. 45. 15. -

And also for printing 500. Specimens of the first } - - - 7. 6.  
Half Sheet. - - - - -

To Money paid the Press-men for extraordinary } 4. - - -  
Attendance, while the first Sheets were under }  
Correction - - - - - £. 4. 7. 6.

Min. 6.

Mr Palmer at the same time offered to pay 20. Shillings towards paying for the Font of Arabick Types, cast by Mr. Caslon, pursuant to his Contract with D<sup>r</sup> Mayo, Mr. Tillard and Henry Newman, 10<sup>th</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup> 1792.

Min. 7.

Agreed that D<sup>r</sup> Mayo be desired to pay Mr. Palmer, on account of the Arabick Impressions, the Sum of - - - - - £5. 15. -

And for the Services before mentioned - - - - - 4. 7. 6.

To complete the sum of - - - £. 50. 2. 6.

And that he receive the 6. £. offered to be paid by Mr. Palmer in part of what he's to pay for the Font.

Min. 10.

The Secretary reported that the Turkey Ships for Scanderoon, this year, were sail'd from Gravesend; And that a Copy of the Society's last Letter to Mr. Sherman at Aleppo, approv'd of the 4<sup>th</sup> of August, was sent to him, with a Postscript, by the Pompey, Capt<sup>n</sup> Martyn Commander.

Oct. 6. Min. 2.

Upon reading Min. 6. of the 1. Septemb. concerning a Letter to D<sup>r</sup> Felton, about an Application to the University of Oxford for the Encouragement of the New Testament in Arabick

3. Agreed that it be finally refer'd to the Committee to give Directions for writing to D<sup>r</sup> Felton; and that in the mean Time

the Secretary prepare a proper Letter to be laid before  
the Committee  
Oct. 6. Min. 4. M<sup>r</sup>. Bedford acquainted the Society of several Difficulties  
that M<sup>r</sup>. Palmer labour'd under with respect to the Terms of the  
Contract now subsisting between the Society and him for printing  
the New Testament in Arabick.

Min. 5. The Society considering thereof desir'd M<sup>r</sup>. Bedford to direct  
M<sup>r</sup>. Palmer to put his proposal of Difficulties in Writing, and  
that they be refer'd finally to the Consideration of the Committee  
to make any Allowance to M<sup>r</sup>. Palmer for the Hardships —  
mention'd, as they shall think reasonable.

11. Min. 1. The Secretary reported that M<sup>r</sup>. Sale had told him of some  
Faults in the 1. Sheet of the Arabick Impression of the New-  
Testament, and that one of the Letters themselves were very  
faulty.

Min. 2. Agreed that M<sup>r</sup>. Bedford and M<sup>r</sup>. Palmer be acquainted with  
the Faults complain'd of, and that M<sup>r</sup>. Carlson be directed to —  
attend M<sup>r</sup>. Sale for Instructions to make a new Letter for that  
which is faulty.

Min. 3. The Secretary reported that he had receiv'd at the Treasury the  
final Order for his Majesty's Bounty of 500. £. to the Arabick  
Impressions, and that the Money would be paid upon it as soon  
as the Order could be pass'd through the proper Offices.

Min. 4. The Secretary further reported that M<sup>r</sup>. Hales, Clerk of the  
Council, had undertaken to present his Royal Highness the Prince,  
with the Society's Memorial in Favour of the Arabick Impressions.

18. Min. 3. A Memorial from M<sup>r</sup>. Palmer to the Society was read, setting  
forth the great Hardships he shall be under if the Society insist  
upon his complying with that part of his Contract which obliges  
him to pay for the Font of Arabick Types used in the Impression  
of the New Testament.

Min. 4. Agreed that this Memorial be further consider'd at a  
fuller Meeting of the Committee.

Min. 11. The Secretary reported that he had receiv'd at the Exchequer  
His Majesty's Royal Bounty of 500. £. to the Impression of the  
New Testament in Arabick, and paid the same to M<sup>r</sup>. Hoare  
upon his giving a Note payable to Doct. Mayors. That the  
Fees for receiving it amounted to — — — £ 45 .. 2 .. 6.

Min. 12. Agreed that S<sup>r</sup>. John Philipps and Doct. Mayors be desir'd to  
give the Thanks of the Society to S<sup>r</sup>. Robert Walpole for the Dispatch  
he has been pleas'd to give to the Payment of his Majesty's Bounty.

C. Draught

Min. 13. A Draught of a Letter to the Reverend Doct. Felton at Cambridge, desiring him to recommend the design of the Arabic Impression of the New Testament to the Vicechancellor and Heads of Houses of that University, was laid before the Committee and read and approved, and ordered to be sent forward with 30. Copies of the Proposal.

Min. 14. Mr. Bedford reported that the Secretary had informed him, and Mr. Palmer, of the Faults found in the first Sheet of the Arabic New Testament, by Mr. Sale; and that the utmost Care would be taken to prevent the like Mistakes for the future: That a Memorandum would be kept of those that should happen, in order to taking Notice of them in an Errata, or reprinting any Leaves singly that shall be found so defective as to require a New Impression.

Oct. 25. Min. 4. Upon reading Mr. Palmer's Representation to the Society in relation to the Bardship he shall be under, if the Society insist upon his paying for the Font of Arabic Types used in the Impression of the New Testament, as he has obliged himself by Contract.

Min. 5. Agreed that this Representation be communicated to D. Mayo, and when he can give his Company, that Mr. Palmer be desired to give his Company at the same time.

Min. 7. Agreed that the Secretary write to the Rev. Mr. Godfr. Washington of Peterhouse, Cambridge, to desire his Advice about the properest Method for applying to the University of Cambridge for their Countenance and Encouragement of the design of printing the New Testament in Arabic.

Nov. 4. Min. 7. The Secretary laid before the Committee an Account of Work done by Mr. Cholby for the Society, part of which was on Account of Arabic Impression, amounting to £ 9. 4. 5.

Min. 8. Agreed that D. Mayo be desired to pay the same when it has been Examined and compared with his last Account.

Min. 10. Agreed that Enquiry be made whether leave can be obtained for lodging the Arabic New Testaments, as they are printed off, in some vacant Room in London House.

Min. 12. The Draught of a Proposal by Mr. Bedford, to be annex'd to the Specimen of the Arabic Impression of the New Testament was read.

Min. 13. Agreed that this Proposal be refer'd to all the Gent. of the Company who met this Day, and that they be desired to meet next Tuesday by 9. of the Clock in the Morning, to consider of Ways and Means for raising a Fund for completing the Arabic Impressions.

Min. 14. Mr. Bedford reported that the 12. Sheet marked m, of the Arabic New Testament, is now printed off, ending at the 44. Verse of the XV. Chap. of St. Mark.

Mr. Palmer

Nov. 1. Min. 15. Mr. Palmer laid before the Committee the second <sup>copy</sup> sheet of the Impression of the New Testament and an Account of the Charge of printing the Sheets. g. h. i. k. l. m. of the Arabic New Testament N.º 10.000, at 5/6 <sup>per</sup> Sheet for Composition. 15" 15"  
 For printing the Six Sheets at 5/6 <sup>per</sup> Sheet each Sheet 5. £. --- } 30. ---  
 £ 45. 15. ---

Min. 16. Agreed that Doct. Mays be desired to pay the same.

Min. 17. Agreed that the Secretary endeavour to get an advertisement in the Gazette, of his Majesty's Royal Bounty to the effect mentioned in a Draught now made.

Min. 18. Upon reading Mr. Palmer's Contract and his Representation of the Hardships he has bound himself to therein:

Min. 19. Agreed that Mr. Palmer be released from the obligation he is under of paying for the Font of Arabic Types, in Consideration of his paying 20. Guineas, and delivering to the Society both the Arabic Fonts viz. from the Polyglott Matrices, and from Mr. Falcon's Matrices, now in his possession, together with the Cases in which they are placed.

Min. 20. Agreed that Mr. Glendon be desired to prepare a Contract upon the Terms as they are now altered from the last Contract.

Min. 21. Agreed to buy of Mr. Palmer the 249. Copies of the Psalter in Arabic which remain in his hands on the Terms he offers them viz. for the Charge of paper and printing them.

Nov. 3. Min. 3. Agreed that Mr. Bedford be desired to procure two Specimens of the Impression of the Gospel of St. Matthew and St. Mark, in Arabic, to be sent to the Secretary from the Printer, in order to be stick'd up and put into Mr. Hals's Hands to be laid before his Royal Highness, when Application is made to him in Favour of the Impression, and that 2. Psalters, well bound, be sent with them.

Min. 9. Agreed that Mr. Brewer be desired to attend next Committee with Specimens of the best Paper he has by him of the Sorts used in the Arabic Impression of the New Testament, and of that usually sent to the Missionaries in the East Indies.

Nov. 8. Min. 19. The Committee being put in Mind of the Reference of last Tuesday of Mr. Bedford's Proposal to be annex'd to the Specimen of the Arabic Impression of the New Testament.

Min. 20. Agreed that it be consider'd this day Senight by 9. a Clock in the Morning.

Min. 21. Upon reading Minute 3. of the 3. Novemb. concerning the 2. Specimens of the Arabic Impression: Agreed that the Secretary suspend delivering them out of his hands, till further Order from the Society.

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Nov. 15. Min. 1. The Committee consider'd of a draught of a Letter to be annex'd to the Specimen of the Arabick Impression of the New Testament, and having made several Amendments to it; Order'd that a Copy of it, as now amended, be brought to the Committee this day Senight.

Min. 2. The Committee considering of Ways and Means for raising Benefactions to the Arabick Impressions.

Min. 3. Agreed that Application be made to the Society's Correspondents in North Britain and Ireland, and such others as Mr. Bedford shall prepare a List of to be Benefactors to the Arabick Impressions.

D<sup>o</sup>. Min. 6. Mr. Bedford reported from the Arabick Committee, that they had consider'd of the Draught of a Letter to be annex'd to the Specimen of the Arabick Impression of the N. Testament &c. as above.

Min. 9. Mr. Brewer attending, The Specimens of paper formerly and now produced, for the Impression of the New Testament in Arabick, being compar'd, it appear'd there was a Difference between them in respect to the Colour and Thickness.

Min. 10. Agreed that Doct. Mayo and Mr. Thomas be desir'd to see a Ream of the same weight at Mr. Brewer's, and that Mr. Bedford be desir'd to see a Ream weight at Mr. Palmer's, in order to a Comparison of the Weight of each; and that a Quire of each Paper be brought to the Committee this day Senight.

22. Min. 3. Sir John Philipps reported, that S<sup>r</sup>. Paul Dolius, D<sup>r</sup>. Mayo and himself had this Morning waited on Sir Rob<sup>t</sup>. Walpole with the Thanks of the Society for his good Offices in obtaining his Majesty's Royal Bounty of 500 L. to the Arabick Impressions.

Min. 7. Upon reading a Letter from Mr. Washington, of Cambridge, of the 10<sup>th</sup> Curr<sup>t</sup>. advising about an Application to the Vicechancellor and Heads of Houses, at Cambridge, in Favour of the Arabick Impression of the New Testament.

Min. 8. Agreed that a Letter be drawn up to the Vicechancellor &c. as Mr. Washington advises, and that the same be forwarded after having consulted Mr. Denne thereon; and that 30. Copies of the printed Letters relating to the Arabick Impressions, and two Arabick Tractes be sent at the same time, to Mr. Washington, for the Rev<sup>d</sup>. Mr. Vicars and the publick Library at Cambridge.

Min. 9. The Committee considering of the Specimens of Paper offer'd this Day Senight for the Arabick Impression of the New Testament And Mr. Brewer being call'd in, and offering to abate 3. s. of a Ream of 13. paid for the 400. Ream already received.

Agreed

Nov 22. Min. 10. Agreed that the Paper which shall be necessary for completing the Impression of the New Testament, being 850. Ream more or less, be bought of M<sup>r</sup>. Brewer at 12/9. 1/2 Ream.

Min. 14. Agreed that M<sup>r</sup>. Cholmley have a thousand Copies of the Psalter in Arabick, to bind for the Occasions of the Society.

Min. 15. The Copy of the Draught of a Letter, giving an Account of the Progress of the Impression of the New Testament in Arabick was laid before the Committee, and refer'd to be consider'd at another Meeting.

29<sup>th</sup>. Min. 9. M<sup>r</sup>. Bedford reported a List of such persons as he thinks may be properly apply'd to for Benefactions to the Arabick Impressions, and the same being read, was as follows viz<sup>t</sup>.

Proposals for raising of Money for the Impression of the New Testament in Arabick.

1. That the last Sheet to be added to the Arabick Specimen be printed off, and disperid with the Specimen, when the Prince's Resolution is known; That his Majesty's and the Prince's Benefaction be particularly mention'd, and that the said Papers be distributed accordingly to such persons as may probably be Benefactors.
  2. That Application be made to the two Correspondents in Scotland, and M<sup>r</sup>. Dundas at Edinburgh.
  3. To the Corresponding Members in Ireland, particularly to the Lord Primate, and the Bishop of Cloyne.
  4. To the Bishop of the Isle of Man ~~on that Occasion~~; and that he be acquainted that the Orthographical Marks are insert'd therein, with a general Consent and Approbation.
  5. To the 2. Universities, by the Corresponding Members there; That the Bishop of Ely, & Rochester, Doct. Boush, Dean Stanley, Dean Sherlock, Doct. Waterland and others, who are or have been Masters of Colleges or Halls, be particularly consult'd in Relation to Cambridge by the Members of this Society, as occasion shall happen.
  6. To the Bishops, who have not yet been Benefactors, and that the Bishops of Bath & Wells, and Worcester, be wrote to by the Secretary; and that a
- List

Let be brought to the next Meeting of the Committee of  
Bishops as have not yet been Benefactors

<sup>th</sup> 7. That the several Deans & Chapters  
and the Interest of the respective Bishops be desired; and  
that Doct.<sup>r</sup> Lupton's and Doct.<sup>r</sup> Mangey's Interest be desired  
with the Dean and Chapter of Durham; and an early appli-  
-cation be made for this purpose, to the Dean and other Cor-  
-responding Members of the Church of Canterbury.

<sup>th</sup> 8. That a List of the Bermudas Benefactors be obtained, and  
that a particular Application be made to them also.

<sup>th</sup> 9. That a particular Application be made to the Members of  
the Turkey Company by Doct.<sup>r</sup> Lisle and Mr. Seley.

<sup>th</sup> 10. That a particular Application be made to the Corresponding  
Members in the Circular Letter, and that a Specimen and printed  
paper be sent to each of them in the Annual packet, and that  
the said Annual packet be hasten'd.

<sup>th</sup> 11. That Application be also made, by proper persons, to each  
Member of both Houses of Parliament.

<sup>th</sup> 12. That Application be made to Mr. Professor Frank, and Doct.  
Delafay, and to Mr. Goetze at Leipzick, and to desire Mr.  
Professor Frank to recommend it to Mr. Goetze; and to write to Dr.  
Jablonski at Berlin, and to Mr. Galpin and Mr. Reading at  
Jamaica; and that Mr. Kaler and Mr. Liegenhagen be con-  
-sulted in what manner it may be proper to apply to other  
<sup>th</sup> Foreign Persons.

<sup>th</sup> 13. That every Residing and Corresponding Member be desired  
also to apply to their Acquaintance.

Lastly That these Orders be read over every first Tuesday  
after each Monthly Meeting, that so enquiry may be made,  
what hath been done in pursuance of them, and what remains  
further to be done.

Min. 10. The Committee agreed to what is recommended by Mr. Bedford.

Min. 11. The Copy of a Letter to Mr. Vicechancellor at Cambridge, in Favour  
of the Arabick Impressions was read, and approved.

Dec. 1. Min. 2. Agreed that two Sheets extraordinary above the Number agreed on, to be  
printed on fine Paper of the New Testament in Arabick, be printed off of the  
next Sheet printed off, to be laid before their Royal Highnesses instead of  
those order'd at their last Meeting.

Min. 5. Upon reading Mr. Bedford's Report the 29. Novemb. concerning  
List of Persons and Bodies of Men proper to be apply'd to for encourag-  
-ing the Arabick Impression of the New Testament.

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Dec. 1. Min. 6. The Society agreed with the Committee in pursuing the Method therein proposed, and desired Mr. Bedford to accept their Thanks for the Pains he had taken in drawing it up.

Min. 11. Agreed that Mr. Hales be desired to signify what Steps he has taken for applying to the Prince in Favour of the Arabick Impression of the New Testament, and that if he has not yet done it that he would make the Application with his first Convenience.

6. Min. 4. Mr. Palmer laid before the Committee the third six Proof Sheets of the Continuation of the New Testament in Arabick, being n.o.p.q.r.s. with his Account according to Contract, amounting to 45.. 15..

Min. 5. Agreed that D<sup>r</sup>. Mayo be desired to pay Mr. Palmer for the said Sheets as usual, deducting 6. Guineas as further part of the 20. Guineas he is to pay towards the Charge of the Font of Arabick Types.

13. Min. 7. The Committee considered the Words of the Application to his Royal Highness, and made some Amendments to it, with was ordered to be transcribed.

Min. 8. Agreed that the Lord Viscount Percival, S<sup>r</sup>. Daniel Delius, S<sup>r</sup>. John Genson, D<sup>r</sup>. Mayo, Mr. Bedford, Mr. Philipps, Mr. Hales or any four of them wait upon his Royal Highness with the said Application on such Day as they can best attend it.

Min. 13. Agreed that D<sup>r</sup>. Mayo be at Liberty to pay Mr. Palmer for any Number of Sheets printed off of the Arabick New Testament tho less than 6. Sheets, upon a Certificate from Mr. Bedford that such a Number is printed off.

20. Min. 3. Agreed that D<sup>r</sup>. Mayo be desired to pay Mr. Brewer for the Paper lately deliver'd to Mr. Palmer, on Acc<sup>t</sup>. of y<sup>e</sup>. Arabick Impression of the New Testament, upon his producing from Mr. Palmer a Certificate of the Quantity deliver'd.

27. Min. 5. The Committee being inform'd that a very imprudent Paragraph was inserted in the Flying Post of Saturday last, relating to the Impression of the New Testament in Arabick:

Min. 6. Agreed that the Secretary use means to get the Author of that Paper to insert an Advertisement to disown the Society's Privy thereto and to rectify a material Mistake in it, in Words to the Effect of what has been now suggested.

Janry. 3. Min. 8. The Secretary reported that <sup>Mr. Henson</sup> he had a Room up 2. pair of Stairs which he offers to the Society for a Store Room for the Arabick New Testament at 6. £ p<sup>a</sup> Ann<sup>o</sup>. That Mr. Cholmley had a Room up 2. pair of Stairs which he offers for the same use at 9. £ p<sup>a</sup> Ann<sup>o</sup>.

Min. 9. Agreed that S<sup>r</sup>. John Genson be desired to view and give his Opinion of these Rooms, which may be properest for the Society's Service.

Janry 5. Min. 3. S<sup>r</sup> Johnson reported that he had viewed the Rooms at the Messengers and at Mr. Cholmley's for a Store Room to receive the New Testaments in Arabic, and that he thinks Mr. Cholmley's Room more commodious for the Society's Service.

10. Min. 9. Mr. Cholmley attending acquainted the Committee that he had a lower Room which was larger and more commodious for the Society's Use in several Aspects than the Room viewed by S<sup>r</sup> Johnson, but that he could not spare it under 4. £. p<sup>a</sup> Ann<sup>o</sup>.

Min. 10. Agreed that Mr. Cholmley get that lower Room put into a Condition to receive the New Testaments in Arabic as soon as may be, and to let the Committee <sup>know</sup> the Charge he is at for that purpose.

17. Min. 4. Agreed that D<sup>r</sup> Mayo be at Liberty to pay Mr. Palmer for every two Sheets of the Arabic Impression of the New Testament, if Mr. Bedford shall certify that the said Sheets are printed off.

Min. 5. Agreed that Mr. Cholmley's Proposal to let 2. ground Rooms in his House for laying up the Arabic New Testaments, be accepted, and that he be allow'd 4. £. p<sup>a</sup> Ann<sup>o</sup> for the same.

Min. 6. Agreed that Mr. Cholmley be allow'd 2. £. being the Money he has laid out in repairing the above-mentioned Rooms for the Reception of the Society's Books.

Feb. 2. Min. 11. The Society considering of Mr. Dadichi's Service in correcting the New Testament in Arabic, and being inform'd that he had 5. £. Sheet for correcting the Printer, but that the orthographical Marks used in the Impression of the New Testament had very much increased his Trouble, and that he had examin'd every Sheet of that twice, whereas the Printer Proofs were sent to him but once.

Min. 12. Agreed that 7. £. p<sup>a</sup> Sheet be allow'd to Mr. Dadichi for his Correction of 20. Sheets of the New Testament in Arabic being so far as the Impression is gone, and that D<sup>r</sup> Mayo be desir'd to pay him accordingly.

7. Min. 14. The Proposals for raising Money for the Arabic Impression of the New Testament were read:

Min. 15. Agreed that the Secretary prepare an Account of the Pensions already sent to the Society agreeably to the said Proposals, in order to judge what may be done in pursuance of the same.

21. Min. 4. Upon reading Letters from D<sup>r</sup> Felton and Mr. Pardo at Oxford signifying that the Bp. of Bristol, Oxford and Landaff, D<sup>r</sup> Foulkes and

and D.<sup>r</sup> Terry Canon of Christ Church are now in London, and that they be desired to recommend to that College the Encouraging of a Collection in Favour of the Arabick Impressions.

Feb. 21. Min. 5. ... Agreed that Mr. Bedford be desired to wait on the Bp. of Bristol, Oxford and Llandaff, to desire what's propos'd.

Min. 6. Agreed that a List of the Lords the Bishops be given to Mr. Bedford signifying the Sums paid by those who have been Benefactors to the Arabick Impression of the New Testament.

Min. 7. Agreed that ~~Mr. Eton~~ Mr. Eton be desired to recommend the Proposal for the Arabick Impressions to the Rever. D.<sup>r</sup> Butler Head of Magdalen College Oxford, to be encouraged in that College.

Min. 8. Agreed that a List of the Deans and Chapters that have been Benefactors to the Arabick Impressions be given to Mr. Bedford.

28. Min. 1. Mr. Bedford reported that he had yesterday waited on his Grace of Canterbury with a Request that his Grace, with such other Bishops as would please to joyn with him, would recommend to Mr. Molynux the presenting his Royal Highness with the Application in Favour of the Arabick Impression of the N. Testament. And that his Grace was pleas'd to say he would consider of a proper Letter to Mr. Molynux, and send it to the Secretary to be transcrib'd fair, in order to be sign'd by his Grace and other Bishops attending the House of Lords.

Min. 2. Order'd that the Secretary take Care to follow his Grace's Orders as soon as they come to his hands.

March 2. Min. 1. The Secretary reported that since the last Committee he had receiv'd his Grace of Canterbury's Instructions for drawing a Letter to be sign'd by his Grace and Lords of the Bishops, desiring Mr. Molynux to recommend the Petition of the Society in Favour of the Arabick Impression of the New Testament to His Royal Highness for his Countenance and Encouragement. That he had obey'd his Grace's Instructions, and after obtaining the hands of Ten Bps (who were all that could be conveniently met with) to it, the Letter w.<sup>th</sup> the Society's Petition was this day left with Mr. Molynux's Secy, Mr. Ekersale, in the absence of Mr. Molynux who was gone into the Country.

Min. 7. The Secretary reported that he had receiv'd the undermention'd Benefactions to the Arabick Impressions, by a Bill ~~from~~ the Rever. Mr. Thomas Price of Llandaff, on Mr. Rob.<sup>t</sup> Styles of the Exchequer

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viz. The Rever. M<sup>r</sup>. Benjamin Sherrard - - - - - 10 6  
 Langford Collin Esq<sup>r</sup> - - - - - 5 0  
 The Rever. M<sup>r</sup>. Bratford - - - - - 10 6  
 Rob<sup>t</sup>. Derwen Esq<sup>r</sup> - - - - - 2 6  
 Rich<sup>d</sup>. Brough Esq<sup>r</sup> and his Friends - - - - - 16 6  
 John Penkinson of Lincoln Esq<sup>r</sup> - - - - - 1 1  
 The Rev. M<sup>r</sup>. South - - - - - 10 6  
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That M<sup>r</sup>. Price himself had contributed out of Money  
 left with the Secretary. - - - - - } 1 1  
 That M<sup>r</sup>. Styles when he paid M<sup>r</sup>. Price's Bill, upon  
 his being inform'd what the Money was for, - - - - - } 10 6  
 desired the Society's Acceptance of. - - - - - }  
 Making in all - - - - - £ 6 8

Min<sup>8</sup>. Agreed that the Thanks of the Society be sent to the Donors.

March 14. Min<sup>4</sup>. The Secretary reported that he had received and paid to D<sup>r</sup>. Mayo 60 £  
 remitted from the Rever. M<sup>r</sup>. Washington, at Peter House in Cambridge, in  
 part of his collection at that University for promoting the Impression of  
 the New Testament in Arabick.

Min<sup>5</sup>. Agreed that the Thanks of the Society be sent to M<sup>r</sup>. Washington, and  
 that he be desired to signify the same to all the Donors who have been  
 so good to contribute, through his hands, to the Impression.

Min<sup>6</sup>. Agreed that M<sup>r</sup>. Palmer be desired to attend the Committee this day Senight,  
 between 12 and one a Clock, to inform the Committee about the Charge of  
 conveying the New Testaments in Arabick to M<sup>r</sup>. Cholmley the Bookbinder.

21. Min<sup>4</sup>. M<sup>r</sup>. Palmer laid before the Committee an Account of the Charge of removing  
 to M<sup>r</sup>. Cholmley's the first 12. Sheets of the New Testament in Arabick, being  
 240. Ream, amounting to - - - - - £ 5 5

Min<sup>5</sup>. Agreed that D<sup>r</sup>. Mayo be desired to pay the same, and to pay the Charge as  
 the Books are sent in.

Min<sup>6</sup>. Agreed that D<sup>r</sup>. Mayo be desired to enquire upon what Terms the Society's  
 Store of New Testaments in Arabick may be insured from Fire.

Min<sup>7</sup>. D<sup>r</sup>. Mayo reported that he had paid M<sup>r</sup>. Palmer for the Impression  
 of the New Testament in Arabick as far as the Sheet 00.

Min<sup>10</sup>. The Draught of an Account of the Progress of the Impression of the N. Test<sup>t</sup>  
 in Arabick, design'd to be annex'd to the Specimen of the Impression in Order to be  
 dispers'd in the next General Packet, was laid before the Commee and read;  
 and M<sup>r</sup>. Bedford was desired to get a proof of it compos'd by M<sup>r</sup>. Palmer  
 against this Day Senight.

March. 28. Min. 3. Agreed that D.<sup>r</sup> Mayo be desired to insure 1500. L. Value from fire, on the 10. thousand copies of the New Testament in Arabick, lodged or to be lodged at M.<sup>r</sup> (Holmby's House) in such fire Office as he shall think proper.

April. 4. Min. 5. Upon reading the Minutes of last Tuesday relating to the Insurance of the Arabick Impression of the New Testament?

Min. 6. D.<sup>r</sup> Mayo reported that he finds the Impression would cost 1200<sup>l</sup> and odd pounds, and that therefore he had only insured 1200. L. — at 3. p Cent p Annum, in the London Assurance Office.

6. Min. 3. An Account of the progress of the Impression of the New Testament in Arabick as drawn up at the Committee, and sent to the Press was read and some Amendments being made to it, the Secretary was ordered to give Directions to the Printer for making a proof with the Amendments.

18. Min. 4. The Secretary reported that he had received and paid to D.<sup>r</sup> Mayo 2. Guin<sup>as</sup> as a Benefaction to the Arabick Impressions from M.<sup>r</sup> Varloo at Dartmouth.

Min. 5. And that he had received 20. L. remitted by the Rever. M.<sup>r</sup> Thomas Richards of Stanfyllin as Benefactions from several of his friends — towards the Impression of the New Testament in Arabick.

Min. 6. Agreed that the Thanks of the Society be sent to the Benefactors.

Min. 8. A Proof of the Account of the Progress of an Impression of the New Testament in Arabick, was laid before the Committee and read and amended.

Min. 9. Agreed that M.<sup>r</sup> Bedford give Directions for printing off the same.

Min. 11. The Committee being desirous to finish the Impression of the N. Testam.<sup>t</sup> in Arabick, so that a considerable Number of them may be dried and bound time enough to be sent by the next Turkey Fleet.

Min. 12. Agreed that the Gentlemen Executors, and the Printer, be desired to dispatch the Impression with the utmost Diligence.

18. Min. 3. M.<sup>r</sup> Downing laid before the Committee proofs of the List of Books distributed by the Society and some Amendments being made to it, it was ordered that 1200. Copies be printed off, and that a Copy be sent in each Packet.

Min. 7. D.<sup>r</sup> Mayo reported that he had paid M.<sup>r</sup> Palmer for printing the Sheets R.R.S.S.T.T. of the New Testament in Arabick.

Min. 8. Agreed that D.<sup>r</sup> Mayo be desired to dispose of the Society's 500. L. Interest on South Sea Annuities, on the first proper Occasion.

May 16. Min. 8. The Committee being informed that D. Mayo, the Society's Treasurer for Benefactions to the Society in General and to the Arabick Impression, died last Wednesday, and that M<sup>r</sup>. Palmer, the Arabick Printer, had printed off 3. Sheets, and would soon have a 4<sup>th</sup> owing for.

Min. 11. Agreed that till a new Treasurer be chose M<sup>r</sup>. Hoare be desired to pay out of the Malabar Funds, such Bill or Bills to M<sup>r</sup>. Palmer as M<sup>r</sup>. Bedford shall certify to be due to him; And that the Money so advanced be repaid out of the Funds of Benefactions to the Arabick Impression, when the Account between the Society and D<sup>r</sup>. Mayo's Executors shall be settled.

23. Min. 1. Agreed that an Estimate be made at what price the Arabick New Testament will cost off Copy to the Society, and that a Copy of the same be given to M<sup>r</sup>. Auditor Harley.

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St. Paul's.

Min. 4. The Committee being informed that M<sup>r</sup>. Palmer would not have Occasion for any payments to be made to him on Account of the Arabick Impression till the latter end of this Week.

Min. 5. Agreed that the Minutes of last Tuesday relating to M<sup>r</sup>. Hoare's being desired to pay him be reversed, and that the person to be chose in the Room of D<sup>r</sup>. Mayo be acquainted with it, and desired to discharge M<sup>r</sup>. Palmer's Bills on Account of the Arabick Impression.

Open Meeting  
at St. Paul's.

23. Min. 9. A Benefaction from L<sup>d</sup>. Bp. of Ely & S<sup>r</sup>. John Philipps of 30. Guineas

Min. 11. A Benefaction from M<sup>r</sup>. Auditor Harley of — 50. Pounds.

30. Min. 5. Agreed that M<sup>r</sup>. Sherman be wrote to to signify whether he has disposed the 4500. and odd Arabick Bibles sent to him, and whether 1000. more of the Remainder of the Impression shall be sent to Turkey by the next Opportunity, or be kept some time longer in England.

Min. 6. Agreed that a Letter to this Effect be prepared against this Day Tenight

Min. 7. Upon reading Minutes of this Day Tenight for making an Estimate of the charge of printing a Copy of the New Testament in Arabick: M<sup>r</sup>. Bedford acquainted the Committee that he had made an Estimate, and found the Charge would be nearest 3. 2. a Copy in Quire.

Min. 8. A Motion was made for the Committee to agree upon what Title they should have printed to the New Testament in Arabick; and the following Words were proposed viz<sup>t</sup>

The New Testament of our  
Lord Jesus Christ, and the  
Ten Commandments of God  
as they are in the 20<sup>th</sup> Chap. of the  
Book of Exodus.

The Words being the Construction of the Title of the M. S. sent  
from Aleppo.

Apr. 30. Min. 9. Agreed that this Matter be considered of at the next Meeting of the Society (1. June. Min. 5. the Title page agreed to, as on the other Side.)

June. 1. Min. 3. Agreed that the Secretary wait on Mr. Mayo to morrow Morning and signify to him the Desire of the Society that he would use his Interest with the Administratrix of the late Doct. Mayo, that in Case the 500. £. S. S. Annuities belonging to the Society, bought by Dr. Mayo, are not already disposed of, that they be transferred to the Reverend Mr. Denne, the present Treasurer, for the Use of the Society.

Min. 7. The Secretary reported that Mr. Denne had paid Mr. Palmer for printing 6. Sheets of the New Testament in Arabick viz. the Sheets ZZ. AA. BBB. CCC. DDD. EEE. the last Sheet ending at the 3. Chapter of St. James's Epistle.

6. Min. 12. The Secretary laid before the Committee the Draught of a Letter to Mr. Sherman at Aleppo, pursuant to an Order at the last Meeting, and the same being read, was with some Amendments approved and ordered to be sent forward.

13. Min. 5. Agreed that Mr. Bedford take Care that the Arabick Matrices and Punchons be oyl'd, so as to be best kept from Damage and Rust, and that he see that none are wanting; that they be afterward sent to the Society, and that the Charge thereof be paid by Mr. Denne.

Min. 6. Agreed that the 3. first Sheets of the Arabick New Testam. and the first Chapter of St. Luke be received by Mr. Sals and Mr. Bedford, and that whatever is found amiss be printed, if it shall be thought necessary by the Committee. And that an Arabick New Testament be sent to Mr. Chappelow at Cambridge, and another to Mr. Hunt at Oxford for their Corrections.

Min. 7. Agreed that the Committee engage in the Printing of no other Books than what they are already engag'd in, except the Martyrology and the Account of the Malabar Mission, till all the Expence of the Arabick New Testament is defray'd, or that a sufficient Sum is in hand for that purpose.

Min. 8. Agreed that the Methods propos'd to raise Money for the Impression of the New Testament in Arabick be read over this day fortnight, and that Care be then taken that such Methods as have been omitted be put in Execution.

Min. 9. Mr. Palmer laid before the Committee an Account of the Charge of printing 3. Sheets T. T. T. G. G. G. H. H. H. of the Arabick New Testament amounting to 23. 12. 6.

Min. 10. Agreed that Mr. Denne be desired to pay Mr. Palmer's Bill of 23. 12. 6. for the printing of the said 3. Sheets.

Min. 12.

June 13. Min. 12.

Mr. Denme reported that he had last Friday with the Secretary waited on Mr. Mayo to settle the Balance of Accounts between the Society and the late Dr. Mayo, And that Mr. Fuller, a Relation of Mr. Mayo's, and Mr. Such, Solicitor for St. Thomas's Hospital, assisting therein, they found a regular Account was kept by Dr. Mayo both of Receipts and Payments and proper Vouchers were produced for all the payments.

And it appeared that the Receipts on Account of the Arabick Impression were

Disbursements

Balance on said Account including the Produce of the Sale of 500 L. S. L. Arabickist. . . . .

Min. 13. Agreed that the Committee for Receipts and Payments be desired to sign such a Discharge to Mr. Mayo, as was done by them upon receiving the Balance of Mr. Shute's Account.

Min. 14. Agreed that Mr. Brewer the Stationer be desired to prepare an Account of what was owing to him for Paper for the Arabick Impression against that Day For tonight, and that the same be acknowledged by Mr. Palmer to have been delivered to him.

20. Min. 1. The Secretary reported that he had received of Mr. Washington of Peterhouse in Cambridge 5 L. 5 S. 6, which with 60 L. formerly paid to Dr. Mayo make 65 L. 5 S. 6. collected by him at Cambridge from several Colleges and private Persons those towards the Impression of the N. Testament in Arabick. vide the fair Minute Book for the Sum received of the several Colleges.

27. Min. 3. Mr. Brewer laid before the Committee an Account of what was now owing to him for Paper sent to Mr. Palmer the Printer, on Account of the Arabick Impression, being for 500. Reams delivered since last Audit at 12 S. amounting to 318 L. 15 S. 2. And Mr. Palmer attending certified that he had received so much paper as therein mentioned.

Min. 4. Agreed that Mr. Denme be desired to pay Mr. Brewer 318 L. 15 S. 2. on Account of the Arabick Impression.

Min. 5. Mr. Palmer laid before the Committee an Account of the Charges of composing and printing 2. Sheets marked 3. I. and 3. K. ending at the 13. Chap. of the Revelations at 7. 12. 6. of Sheet

Min. 6. Agreed that Mr. Denme be desired to pay Mr. Palmer 15 L. 15 S. on the said Account.

July 4. Min. 1. The Secretary reported that Dr. Lisle desired the Society might be acquainted, that Mr. Sherman had presented him with the Folio Copies of the N. Testament and Psalter in Arabick sent from Aleppo; and that when the Society had done with them he would be glad to receive them.

July 6.

July 6<sup>th</sup>. Min. 2. Agreed that it be referred to the Committee to consider whether it were not better to send the New Testaments in Arabick all bound to Aleppo, though in cheaper binding, than to send any thither in Quire, to give Umbrage to the Adversaries of the Undertaking, to oppose the dispersing of them.

11<sup>th</sup>. Min. 5. M<sup>r</sup>. Palmer laid before the Committee an Account of the Charge of the Impression of 2. Sheets of the New Testam<sup>t</sup> in Arabick viz 3. L. 3. M. ending the Book of Revelations at 7<sup>th</sup>. 12. 6<sup>th</sup> Sheet - 15. 05 -  
To M<sup>r</sup>. Akers - 1. 10 -  
For Carriage and Portage of 4<sup>th</sup>. 3. Gathering - 1. 01 -  
16. 16 -

Min. 6. Agreed that M<sup>r</sup>. Denne be desired to pay M<sup>r</sup>. Palmer 16. 16. - for discharging the said Account.

Min. 10. M<sup>r</sup>. Bedford reported that M<sup>r</sup>. Sale and himself had considered of the Faulty Sheets in the Arabick Impression of the New Testament, and that they were of Opinion that the Generality of the Faults were so inconsiderable, that it would not be necessary to reprint more than the first Sheet of St. Matthew's Gospel, and <sup>one</sup> Leaf in the 8. Chap. of St. Luke's Gospel.

Min. 11. Agreed that M<sup>r</sup>. Bedford be desired to give Directions to reprint the said Sheet and Leaf.

Min. 12. Agreed that M<sup>r</sup>. Sale be desired to give Directions for preparing a Title Page to the New Testament, in a Wooden Cut.

Aug. 1<sup>st</sup>. Min. 6. A Draught of a Letter to M<sup>r</sup>. Thomas recommending the Design of the Arabick Impressions to his good Offices at Oxford, was laid before the Committee and read, and with some Amendment approved, and ordered to be forwarded.

22. Min. 7. M<sup>r</sup>. Thomas reported that he had waited on the Vice Chancellor of Oxford with the Society's Letter on the Subject of the Collection in that University in Favour of the Arabick Impressions; and that the Vice Chancellor and several of the Heads of Houses very readily undertook the promoting of it at a proper time when the University should be fuller than it is at present.

29. Min. 1. Upon reading a Letter from M<sup>r</sup>. Cholmsy acquainting the Committee that he had collated 1000. Copies of the New Testament in Arabick and was going on to bind them, so that he hoped to have them all ready by the middle of October next; and desiring the Society would be pleased to advance to him 30. L. towards the Charge of binding the said Books.

Min. 2. Agreed that M<sup>r</sup>. Denne be desired to advance 30. L. to M<sup>r</sup>. Cholmsy as desired on Account of the Arabick Impressions.

11. Agreed that M<sup>r</sup>. Denne be desired to give his Company at the next General Meeting of the Society; and to signify in the mean time the State of the Society's Cash in hand for carrying on the Arabick Impressions.

Aug. 29. Min. 12. Mr. Bedford reported that he had paid Mr. John Price 2. Guineas and an half for engraving the Title Page, in Wood, of the New Testament in Arabick, and that the Impression being finished, he had now returned to the Committee the Folio M. S. of the New Testament sent from Aleppo.

Sept. 5. Min. 1. A Specimen of several Bindings of the New Testament in Arabick at the undermentioned prices were laid before the Committee viz<sup>t</sup>

In large plane Calf 4 <sup>to</sup>	1. 6.
Do. in Sheep	1. 3.
Do. in Marble with Calf Backs and Corners	1. 1.
Do. in Purple with Calf Backs and Corners	1. —

Min. 2. Agreed that 500. Copies be bound in plane Calf;  
300. in Marble, and  
200. in Purple as abovementioned.

12. Min. 5. Mr. Bedford desired Leave to lay before the Committee an Estimate of the Charge of printing the Old Testament, in Case the Society should ever be enabled to undertake such an Impression; The Committee heard the same read, which being for 4000 Copies, amounted to — 3000. £ including Charges.

Min. 6. Agreed that this Estimate be inserted in the Society's Memorand. Book.

19. Min. 3. The Secretary reported that the Princess Amalia commanded by John Winnecot, and the Happy Return commanded by Henry Atter, bound to Scanderoon, were by Charter party to sail from Gravesend the 25<sup>th</sup> Curr. and to joyn Convoy at Portsmouth by the 30<sup>th</sup> Curr.

Min. 4. The Secretary further reported that he had given Notice to Mr. Cholmley of the Sailing of these Ships, and that he could not possibly get bound above 300. Copies of the Arabick New Testament, so as to be shipped by these Ships.

Min. 5. Agreed that the Secretary take Care for the due packing so many Copies as Mr. Cholmley can bind, and that 6. Copies bound in Calf &c. be sent as a present to Mr. Sherman at Aleppo, for the Patriarch and other of his Friends there: And that 100. Copies of Grocius de Veritate Religionis Aeterna be sent at the same time.

Min. 7. Agreed that the Secretary wait on Mr. Barrington Eaton to request in the Name of the Society the Liberty of sending on the said Ship the New Testaments in Arabick, Freight free, as the Bibles were formerly sent.

26. Min. 6. Upon reading the Draught of a Letter to Mr. Sherman, at Aleppo, as sent by the Amalia bound to Scanderoon, the same was approved and ordered a Copy to be forwarded over Land, with such Postscript as may be suggested by Mr. Bedford, or other Members, at the next or succeeding Meeting of the Committee.

Oct. 10. Min. 5

The Secretary reported that the Society's parcels of New Testaments that had been ship'd on Board the Amalia for Scandaroon, were sent back again with several parcels belonging to the Turkey Merchants for want of Room to stow them: That Mr. Eaton had promised to recommend them to be sent Freight free on Board the Nile Captain George Macchew, Commander bound to Alexandria in Egypt, if the Society would be at the Charge of sending them thence to Scandaroon.

Min. 6. Agreed that Mr. Eaton be desired to get the parcels Ship'd on the Nile as propos'd, and that the Society will be answerable for any Charge that may accrue by sending them to Scandaroon by Way of Alexandria.

Min. 7. Order'd that the Letter to Mr. Sherman be sent by the Nile as was sent by the Amalia, and that he be desired to disburse what is necessary for transporting the New Testament from Alexandria and to draw upon the Rever. Mr. John Donne Treasurer of the Society, or the Secretary, for discharging the same to Mr. Sherman's Correspondent in London.

24 Min. 11. The Secretary reported that the Society's 2. parcels of Arabick New Testaments design'd to be sent by the Amalia to Scandaroon, were according to the Order of the 10. June last ship'd on Board the Nile for Alexandria, and that Mr. Sherman was acquainted with the Reason of sending them to Scandaroon by Way of Alexandria.

Min. 12. Agreed that His Grace of Canterbury be humbly desired to present the Copy of the New Testament in Arabick, to his Majesty, and that if his Grace should decline it, that then the Bp. of Winchester be desired to make the said Present. vid. Oct. 9. Min. 2. Nov. 7. Min. 2.

31. Min. 5. Agreed that Enquiry be made what Supernumerary Copies of the New Testament in Arabick Mr. Palmer has printed over and above the Ten Thousand for the Use of the Society, and upon what Terms they may be bought.

Min. 6. Agreed that a List of all the Pens factors to the Arabick Impressions be laid before the Committee this Day Tonight.

Nov. 2. Min. 6. Mr. Bedford reported that Mr. Palmer could not yet tell how many supernumerary Copies of the New Testament in Arabick might be left in his hands, but that as the paper on which they were printed belong'd to the Society, he would be content with 7. s. a Copy for printing of them, being near the Charge of printing allow'd to him by the Society.

Min. 7. Agreed that all the perfect Copies of the New Testament in Arabick remaining in Mr. Palmer's hands be purchased at the price he propos'd of 7. s. 4. p. each, and that he be desired to throw in the waste Sheets remaining into the Number, to make any Copies complete that may prove imperfect.

Nov<sup>r</sup>. 2. Min. 8. Mr. Bedford mov'd that in regard to the generous Benefactions from the University of Cambridge towards the Arabick Impression of the New Testament, an offer might be made to that University of the Loan of the Society's Arabick Matrices for a Font of Arabick Types to be made on such Terms as they shall agree with Mr. Caslon or other Letter Founder: And it was further mov'd that the Society would make a Present to the University of Cambridge of the Supernumerary New Arabick Types belonging to the Society towards making a New Arabic Font for the said University.

Min. 9. Agreed that it be finally refer'd to the Committee to consider of this Motion, and to do therein as they shall think proper.

7. Min. 12. A List of the Benefactors to the Arabick Impressions of 10 £. and upwards, was laid before the Committee, and order'd to lie on the Table.

21. Min. 3. Copies of the Letters to Mr. Sherman at Aleppo, in Order to be sent over Land were laid before the Committee, with Mr. Bedford's and Mr. Sals Opinion upon the perusal of them.

Min. 4. Agreed that a Postscript be added desiring that an Account may be sent to the Society how, and into what parts of the East the Traders with New Testaments in Arabick, have been distributed, and with what Success.

Dec<sup>r</sup>. 7. Min. 7. Agreed that the Rever<sup>d</sup>. Dr. Johnson President of Trinity College, Dr. Telfon Principal of Edmund Hall, and Dr. Gardo Principal of Jesus College in Oxford, be desir'd to receive such Benefactions as may be offer'd in that University towards promoting the Arabick Impressions, and that they be wrote to accordingly.

19. Min. 7. Agreed that a List be made of all the Benefactors to the Arabick Impression as far as 5 £. and upwards.

26. Min. 6. A List of the Benefactors to the Arabick Impression from 5 £. and upwards was laid before the Committee.

Jan<sup>y</sup>. 2. Min. 3. Upon reading a Letter from Mr. W<sup>m</sup>. Barron of the S. Carr! signifying that by a Mistake between his Master Mr. Barrington Eaton and him, the 2. Chests of Arabick New Testaments were not sent in the Nile by the Way of Alexandria, by Reason of the Hurry of his Master's Business at the Departure of the said Ship, and that he hopes the Society will excuse the Disappointment.

Min. 4. Agreed that Enquiry be made where the 2. Chests are, and that they be return'd to Mr. Cholmondeley, as soon as may be, to be inspected in Order to prevent any Damage that may accrue upon their being pack'd fresh bound.  
vid. Jan<sup>y</sup>. 16. Min. 1. and 2.

Janry 2 Min. 6.

Mr. Palmer attending without was called in, and acquainted the Committee that he had only 55. Supernumerary. few Bibles remaining each Book containing two Quires and 10. Sheets of Paper and all the 55 Books containing

Of Overparts & Waste amounting to 13. 10  
Making in all 20. 3

That the Paper by a Mistake of his Servant was his and not belonging to the Society, as had been supposed. That estimating the Paper at 13. 10 <sup>per quire</sup> it would amount to 13. 10

That printing 20. 3. of paper at 5. 10 <sup>per quire</sup> would come to 5. 10

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That the Supernumerary 55. Copies and the waste Sheets were all sent in to Mr. Cholmondeley, and that in Regard it was owing to the Carelessness of his Servant that there was a Mistake made, he would be content to be paid only 3. of the 18. 10, and whatever the Society pleased else to allow to his Storekeeper.

Min. 7. Agreed that Mr. Denne be desired to pay Mr. Palmer 12. 10. for the 55. Copies and waste Sheets abovementioned, when the Arabick Types and Letter Cases, at his house, are delivered to the Order of the Society, and one Guinea to Mr. Ward the Storekeeper for his Trouble, in attending the Delivery of the Books from time to time.

Min. 8. Agreed that Mr. Downing be desired to allow Room for the Society to lodge their Arabick Types and Letter Cases at his House, till they can otherwise dispose of 'em, and that Mr. Palmer be desired to send them to Mr. Downings House, and that the Messenger attend him to morrow Morning for that Purpose.

Min. 9. Agreed that the 55. Supernumerary Copies of the New Testament in Arabick be bound for the Occasions of the Society.

14. Min. 6. Agreed that all the Bondholders of Five Pounds and upwards towards the Arabick Impression, have a Copy of the New Testament in Arabick presented to them as an Acknowledgment from the Society of their Bondholders.

9. Min. 5. Upon reading the Minutes of last Tuesday about Mr. Parron's Letter signifying that the 2. Vols. of Arabick New Testaments for Scandaroon were not sent by the Way of Egypt, as desired:

Min. 6. Agreed that Enquiry be made, whether the said Chests can be sent to Scandaroon by way of Leghorn, or some other Port, and if there be any such way, that the Society will defray the Freight.

Min. 7. Mr. Denne reported that the Messenger had informed him that he had attended the Delivery of the Arabick Types, in the hands of Mr. Palmer, at Mr. Downings, and that Mr. Storer had assured him there were also as far as he could judge of both the Fonts belonging to the Society.

16. Min. 5. Agreed that Mr. Kingston be desired to give his Advice, whether an Opportunity is likely to offer of sending the 2. parcels of Arabick New Testaments to Scandaroon in a short time.

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Janry. 16. Min. 8. Mr. Bedford reported that Mr. Ares had preserved all the <sup>old</sup> Sheets of the Gospels and New Testament wrote out by Mr. Sadishi, and that he was ready to deliver them to the Society's Order, upon a promissory Note to produce them whenever there shall be Occasion; to justify himself for any Fault that may hereafter be found in the printed Copy.

Min. 7. Agreed that Mr. Ares be desired to deliver the said M.S. to the Secretary and that they be laid up in the Society's Store for any future Occasion the Society may have for them; and that the Secretary be empowered to give such a Note as is desired.

Min. 8. Mr. Bedford further reported that Mr. Ares desired him to acquaint the Society, that if they should have Occasion for any Arabick Impressions hereafter, he would do it for 10. Shillings off Sheet, whereas they had allowed Mr. Palmer at the Rate of 2. 5<sup>rs</sup> 6<sup>d</sup> off Sheet.

23. Min. 10. An Account of Work done by Mr. Holmsted for the Society for binding 1000. Copies of the New Testament in Arabick, was laid before the Committee and read, amounting to . . . . . 61. 4.

For a quarter's Rent to Elmas 1727. . . . . 1. . . . . 62. 4.

Of which he had formerly rec<sup>d</sup>. by Order of y<sup>e</sup> Society. 30. . . . . 32. 4.

Min. 11. Agreed that Mr. Denne be desired to pay Mr. Holmsted or his order the 32. 4. — on account of the arabick Impressions.

Feb. 1. Min. 3. Mr. J. Phillips reported that Mr. Thomas, Mr. Sale and himself had audited the Society's Accounts, and found the Receipts and Disbursements on <sup>an</sup> Account of the Arabick Impressions as follows vizt

Receipts by the Rever. Mr. Denne vizt	
Balance of D. Mayo's Account	653. 19. 6
received of Mr. Mayo . . . . .	
Casual Benefactions to the Arabick Impressions 1727. after D. Mayo's death	229. 14. .
	883. 13. 6
Payments by Mr. Denne on said Acct.	576. 19. 8
Balance remaining in hand.	306. 13. 10

Min. 6. The Secretary reported that Mr. Kingston a Turkey Merchant had promised to give Notice of any Ship going to Scanderoon or near it, proper for conveying the New Testament in Arabick to Mr. Sherman.

Min. 7. Agreed that it be referred to the Committee to consider of sending a greater Number of the New Testament in Arabick than <sup>were</sup> intended by y<sup>e</sup> last Ship.

Min. 11. Agreed that Mr. Sherman at Aleppo be acquainted with the Disappointment that hap happened of sending the 2. parcels of Arabick New Testaments, and to assure him that they will be sent by the first opportunity of conveying them.

Feb. Min. 12. Agreed that D.<sup>r</sup> Lisle and M.<sup>r</sup> Selley be advis'd with, whether it may be proper to write to the Chaplain at Aleppo as well as to M.<sup>r</sup> Sherman, to recommend to him the care of the New Testaments.

6<sup>th</sup> Min. 4. Upon reading a Letter from M.<sup>r</sup> Liegenhagen of this day, enclosing an Abstract of a Letter from the Rever. M.<sup>r</sup> Rodde at Narva in Livonia, dated the 20<sup>th</sup> of Septemb. last, signifying how acceptable the Arabic Psalter lately transmitted to him was to some Persian Prisoners in the Russian Garrisons, and that some more of the Psalters and New Testaments in Arabic would be very well dispos'd of, if the Society would be pleas'd to bestow any for that Service.

Min. 2. Agreed that this matter be consider'd of when M.<sup>r</sup> Liegenhagen can give his Company, which he is desir'd to do this Day Tenight.

March. 7. Min. 2. Agreed that by the first good Opportunity that shall offer, a Thousand Copies of the New Testament in Arabic be sent to Aleppo including the 300. Copies already pack'd up which were lost by last Ships to Seanderoon, and that M.<sup>r</sup> Sherman be acquainted therewith by the first Opportunity.

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April. 9. Min. 5. Agreed that the Secretary write to the R.<sup>d</sup> Rever. the Lord Bp. of Bristol Dean of Christ Church and College in Oxford, to the Rever. D.<sup>r</sup> Tanners and D.<sup>r</sup> Folke Canons of the said Church, and desire them to promote in the said College the Contribution towards printing the New Testament in Arabic, which is now carrying on in the University of Oxford; and that they be acquainted that D.<sup>r</sup> Tolton has already receiv'd Ten Guineas from Magdalene College and Ten Guineas from New College.

23. Min. 7. Upon reading a Letter from M.<sup>r</sup> Washington of Cambridge of the 18<sup>th</sup> Curr. signifying that he had receiv'd the Society's Present of Arabic New Testament to the University, and that they were thankfully accepted: That D.<sup>r</sup> Gough, who had been a zealous Promoter of the Collections made in his own College and in the University, desir'd to be favour'd with a Copy.

May. 2. Min. 10. Agreed that the Secretary inform the Committee at their next Meeting the present State of the Contributions to finish the Impression of the New Testament in Arabic, and what more may be necessary to compleat the Expence of the Impressions.

7. Min. 8. M.<sup>r</sup> Denne laid before the Committee an Account of the present State of the Society's Fund for finishing the Arabic Impressions.

Min. 9. Agreed that the Secretary prepare an Account of the Rec<sup>t</sup> and Disbursm<sup>t</sup> on the same Account, from the Beginning of the Society's engaging themselves in the Arabic Impressions to the last Audit.

14. Min. 1. Agreed that an Estimate of the Charge of the Arabic Impressions of the Psalter and New Testament be made, distinguishing the Payments under the following heads viz.

For

For Runheans, Matrices and 2. Fonts of Types  
 Transcribing and Correcting the Copies,  
 Paper, Printing and Binding;  
 For 55. Supernumerary Copies above the 10. Thousand  
 Copies of the New Testament;  
 Rent, Insurance and other Incidental Charges.

June 6. Min. 10. Agreed that the Secretary from time to time make Enquiry what Ships  
 are bound to Scanderoon, by whom the New Testament in Arabic may be  
 sent, and that the Secretary treat with the Masters of such Ships for paying  
 Freight for the Quantity of Books that shall be sent.

July 2. Min. 19. Agreed that the Font of Arabic Types, in the Custody of M. Downings, be  
 removed to the Society's House in Bartlett's Buildings, and that M. Acor  
 be desired to sort them, and give the Society an Account of the Supernu-  
 merary Letters.

4. Min. 1. The Secretary reported that the Turkey Company had yesterday agreed  
 to Freight to Scanderoon

The Halifax, Captain Butler }  
 The Lucane, Captain Spencer. } Commanders.  
 The Wentworth, Captain Sax.

Min. 2. Agreed that it be left to the Secretary to advise with M. Eaton a Director  
 of the Bank about the most effectual Method of securing the shipping of 1000.  
 Copies of the New Testament in Arabic, on Board one or more of the S. Ships.

Min. 3. Agreed that 1000. Copies more of the New Testament in Arabic be bound  
 for the Service of the Society, against Opportunity offers of sending them to  
 Scanderoon.

Min. 18. Upon reading the Min. of the 2. of July relating to removing the Arabic  
 Fonts to Bartlett's Buildings.

Min. 19. Agreed that M. Acor be desired first to put the Letters in Order at his  
 own House, and then to send them to the Society's House in Bartlett's Buildings.

16. Min. 7. Upon reading a Letter of this Day from M. Cholmby, desiring the  
 Society would advance 30. £. to him, as they did last Year, towards enabling  
 him to bind the 1000. Copies of the N. Test. in Arabic, as order'd A. C. last.

Min. 8. Agreed that M. Denne be desired to advance 30. £. to M. Cholmby  
 as desired, in part for the binding of the said Books, And that,

500. Copies be bound in Calf.

300. . . . . in Marble with Calf Backs and Corners.

200. . . . . in Purple with Calf Backs and Corners in the  
 same manner as was order'd S. B. last year.

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- Aug. 1. Min. 1. The Society considering, that the M.S. under Consideration entitled the Fundamental Articles of the Christian Religion, cannot by the Rules of the Society be approved, so as to be ready to be sent by the next Ship to Turkey, without an Adjournment short of this Day Month.
- Min. 2. Agreed that this Society be Summoned to a General Meeting next Tuesday Evening for that and other Business, to begin when the Committee ends.
- 13<sup>th</sup> Min. 6. The Committee having perused the M.S. entitled, a short and general Account of the Truths of the Christian Religion, and made several Amendments to it.
- Min. 7. Agreed that it be recommended to the Society, to get it translated into Arabic, and then printed, in order to be dispersed in the Eastern Countries.
- Gen. Meets 13<sup>th</sup> Aug. 3. Min. 11. It being recommended by the Committee to translate and print in Arabic, and disperse in the Eastern Countries a M.S. entitled, a short and general Account of the Christian Religion. It was agreed by Ballotting, that the same be printed and dispersed accordingly.
- Min. 5. Agreed that it be finally referred to the Committee to give Directions for translating the said M.S. into Arabic, and to print and disperse the same as they shall think proper, with such Alterations or Additions as they shall approve: And that it be recommended to Mr. Bedford to prepare References of Texts of Scripture to be added to the same.
- 20<sup>th</sup> Min. 3. The Secretary reported, that according to Order the 4<sup>th</sup> of July last, the Font of Arabic Letters, in the Custody of Mr. Downing, had been delivered to Mr. Charles Ackers the 15<sup>th</sup> Curr. weighing 2<sup>lb</sup> 40, including the Weight of A. Cases, A. Basket, and one Box.
- Min. 4. The Committee resumed the Consideration of the M.S. to be translated into Arabic, and made a Progress therein so far as the Text, Go ye and teach all Nations &c. And agreed to pursue the Consideration of the Questions and Answers drawn up by Mr. Bedford at the next Meeting.
- Min. 5. Agreed that the Abridgment of the History of the Bible drawn up by Mr. Ostervald, be in the meantime put into the Hands of Mr. Dadihi, in order to be translated into Arabic, and after the Approbation of Mr. Bedford and Mr. Sales, that it be sent to the Press.
- 27<sup>th</sup> Min. 3. The Committee went through the Catechetical Instruction proposed to be translated into Arabic.
- Min. 4. Agreed that Mr. Dadihi be desired to translate the same, and that 5000. Copies of it be forthwith printed in 8<sup>vo</sup> in Order that some of them may be sent by the Ship now going to Turkey.
- Min. 5. Agreed that the Lord's Prayer, the Apostles Creed, and the Ten Commandments be added to the Catechetical Instruction, ordered to be printed in Arabic.
- Min. 6. Agreed that Mr. Ackers be desired to bring, to the next Committee, a Specimen of such paper as may be proper for the Arabic Impression of the Catechetical Instructions.
- Sept. 3. Min. 3. The Committee resuming the Consideration of the Account of the chief Truths of the Arabian Religion, made some further Alterations therein, and agreed that a fair Transcript be made of the whole, and that Mr.

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Bedford and the Secretary wait on his Grace the Archbishop of Canterbury with it, to request his Grace's Opinion of the whole Temperance for the Use it is intended.

Sept. 3. Min. 6. The Committee agreed to a Specimen of Paper brought by M<sup>r</sup>. Ackers for printing 5000. Copies of the Catechetical Instruction in Arabick, being Dutch Demy at 12<sup>d</sup> per Ream.

5. Min. 2. M<sup>r</sup>. Sale reported that M<sup>r</sup>. Dadihi had begun the Translation of the Abridgment of the History of the Bible into Arabick, and that the first part was gone to the Press.

10. Min. 1. The Secretary reported, That yesterday Nine Parcels containing 1300. Copies of the Testament in Arabick were shipped on Board the Halifax Captain Butler, the Sucane Captain Spenser, and the Wentworth Captain Sax Commander, three Parcels on Board each Ship for Scanderoon, and that the Captains were content to take such Freight for carrying them as M<sup>r</sup>. Eaton should think reasonable.

Min. 4. Upon reading a Letter from M<sup>r</sup>. Sherman at Aleppo of the 30<sup>th</sup> of March last, enclosing a List of the Errata, which he had observ'd in the Arabick Balter sent over:

Min. 5. Agreed that it be refer'd to M<sup>r</sup>. Bedford and M<sup>r</sup>. Sale to consider what Use may be made of them.

Min. 7. A Letter from his Grace of Canterbury of the 7<sup>th</sup> Curr. was read, accompanying the short Account of the chief Truths of the Arabian Religion, with his Grace's Amendments to it, and the same being read.

Min. 8. Agreed that a fair Copy of the said Account, as amended by his Grace and the Committee, be made, and translated into Arabick, and printed as soon as possible.

Min. 9. Agreed that M<sup>r</sup>. Liegnhagen be desir'd to write to M<sup>r</sup>. Rodde at Nerva, to signify what Number of the short Account of the Truths of the Christian Religion in Arabick, might be well dispos'd of by him; and to let him know they should be sent.

24<sup>th</sup> Min. 2. Agreed that the Secretary endeavour to pay the Freight of the 1300. New Testaments &c. sent in the Ships now going to Scanderoon before the Departure of them.

Octob. 1. Min. 3. The Secretary reported that he had offer'd to pay the Freight of the 1300. New Testaments to Scanderoon to M<sup>r</sup>. Kingston, M<sup>r</sup>. Sherman's Correspondent here, but that he said he could not receive it till the Ships were arriv'd, and that he had M<sup>r</sup>. Sherman's Order for it.

3. Min. 1. The Gentlemen present being inform'd that 50. complete Copies of the Abridgment of the History of the Bible &c. in Arabick were sent in by the Printer, and that 500. Copies could be printed off by tomorrow Night.

Agreed

Octob. 3. Min. 2. Agreed that the Copies now printed, and as many more as can be got ready be pack'd up, and sent by all possible ways on Board the Ships now going to Scandaroon, and that as many as the time will permit be cover'd in purple Paper.

8<sup>th</sup> Min. 5. Mr. Bedford laid before the Committee, two Accounts — relating to the Arabick Impressions viz<sup>t</sup>.

From Mr. John Hatley Stationer for Paper	
used in the Arabic Impression of the	
History of the Bible and the Account	£. 3. 2.
of the chief Truths of the Christian	22. 10. —
Religion 36. Ream of Dutch Semy at	
12/6. p Ream. . . . .	
Charles Ackers for printing 5000. of the said	
Abridgment &c. containing 3. Sheets and $\frac{1}{4}$	
at 4. 10. — p Sheet viz <sup>t</sup> . . . . .	
For composing 3. Sheets at 2. p Sheet . . . . .	6. — —
D <sup>o</sup> . . . for $\frac{1}{4}$ of a Sheet . . . . .	10. —
For printing 3. Sheets at 5. p Ream . . . . .	7. 10. —
D <sup>o</sup> for $\frac{1}{4}$ of a Sheet . . . . .	1. 5. —
For putting the 2. Arabic Fonts in Order	
viz <sup>t</sup> Great Primer and English. . . . .	4. 18. 8.
	£ 20. 3. 8

and the same being read: Agreed that Mr. Archdeacon Denne be desired to pay the said Bills on Account of the Arabic Impressions.

Min. 7. Mr. Sale reported that on conferring with Mr. Sadichii about his Labour in translating into Arabick the Abridgment of the History of the Bible, and the Account of the chief Truths of the Christian Religion, what would content him for that Service, and his Correction of the Press &c. he said he hoped the Society would allow him 6. Guineas; And Mr. Bedford and Mr. Sale both agreeing that his Demand was very reasonable.

Min. 8. Agreed that Mr. Archdeacon Denne be desired to pay 6. Guineas to Mr. Sadichii for his said Translation.

Min. 11. Agreed that the 2. Fonts of Arabic Types, now put in Order by Mr. Ackers, be brought to the Society's House in Bartlett's Buildings.

Oct. 29<sup>th</sup> Min. 1. An Account from M<sup>r</sup>. Philipps for Work done by him on drawing the Arabic Impressions, was laid before the Committee and read, amounting to £ 8. 6. 1. Agreed that M<sup>r</sup>. Archdeacon Denne be desired to pay the same, when he is satisfy'd with the Reasonableness of the Articles therein mentioned.

Min. 3. M<sup>r</sup>. Sale laid before the Committee a List of the Errata in the Arabic Prayer, extracted from the List of Errata sent from Aleppo by M<sup>r</sup>. Sherman and that 300. and Odd, he thinks only 45. are only Faults, and of them only 15. may be reckon'd material; But that he finds M<sup>r</sup>. Sherman or his Friend who collected these Errata, have overlook'd many Faults as material, as those he has sent a List of.

Min. 4. Agreed that it be consider'd at the next Meeting of the Society, what Use to make of the said List.

Nov. 7<sup>th</sup> Min. 14 M<sup>r</sup>. Bedford laid before the Committee M<sup>r</sup>. Ackers's Account for Carpenter's Work in making 6. Boxes and 2. Cases to receive the Arabic Types &c. sent to Bartlett's Buildings, amounting to £. 1. 4. 2.

Min. 15. Agreed that M<sup>r</sup>. Archdeacon Denne be desired to pay the same.

12. Min. 6. An Account of several Disbursements for the Service of the Arabic Impressions, paid by the Secretary, was laid before the Committee and read amounting to . . . . . 8. 1. —

And an Account from M<sup>r</sup>. Adley for stitching

300. Arabic Catechetical Instructions. . . . . 12. —

50. S<sup>o</sup> . . . . . in English . . . . . 2. —

8. 15. —

Min. 7. Agreed that M<sup>r</sup>. Archdeacon Denne be desired to pay the said Bills.

26. Min. 9. Agreed that a Doz. of the New Testament and Prayer in Arabic, be well bound for Presents as the Society may have Occasion for them.

Feb. 6<sup>th</sup> Min. 1. M<sup>r</sup>. J. Philipps reported from the Committee appointed to audit the Society's Accounts, that the Receipts and Disbursements

On Accot<sup>t</sup> of the Arabic Impressions were viz<sup>t</sup>.

Receipts, By the Rever. M<sup>r</sup>. Archdeacon Denne viz<sup>t</sup>.

Ballance due at the last Audit. 306. 13. 10.

Casual Benefactions since <sup>£. s. d.</sup> . . . 114. 14. — 421. 7. 10

Paym<sup>t</sup>. By the Rever. M<sup>r</sup>. Archdeacon Denne . . . . . 159. 14. —

Ballance remaining in hand to be carried to the next Account } £ 265. 13. 10

Feb. 25<sup>th</sup> Min. 8. Mr. Bedford reported that Mr. Caslon had lately cast a ~~Sortment~~  
of 125. lb Weight of Arabick Types English Body which at 2/6<sup>p</sup>  
p Pound would come to 15. 12. 6, which with the Supernumerary  
Arabie Types belonging to the Society would make a complete  
Font of Arabick Types for the University of Cambridge, if the  
Society were disposed to apply them to that Use. And a Motion  
of the 2. of November 1727, at the Society, relating to the Super-  
numerary Types being read with the Order of Reference  
finally to the Committee to dispose of them as they shall  
think proper:

Min. 9. The Committee unanimously agreed, in Regard the Univer-  
sity of Cambridge have generously assisted the Society in the  
Impression of the New Testament in Arabick, <sup>that not only the supernumerary Types above</sup> but also the 125. lb  
Weight of additional Types to make a complete Font be presented  
to the University of Cambridge, as a gratefull Acknowledgment  
of their charitable Assistance towards accomplishing the Im-  
pression of the Psalter and New Testament in Arabick.

March 4<sup>th</sup> Min. 3. Upon reading the Minutes of the 25<sup>th</sup> of Feby, the Committee  
being inform'd, that Roman and Italic Letters of the English  
Body are sold at 12. a pound: Agreed that Mr. Bedford be  
desir'd to signify the Reason why the Arabick Types of the  
same Body are rated by Mr. Caslon at 2/6<sup>p</sup> p pound, though  
the Property of the Punchons and Matrices are in the Society.

Min. 4. Agreed that Mr. Caslon be desir'd to bring in a Bill of what  
will be owing to him on that Account, and for the 125. lb. Weight  
of Letters design'd for the University of Cambridge, to the Committee  
this Day Senight, in Order to his being paid for them.

Min. 6. Agreed that an Extract of the Minutes relating to the  
Arabie Punchons and Matrices, and the Price of Types from  
them, as the Society paid Mr. Caslon, be made against this  
Day Senight.

Min. Agreed that Mr. Caslon be desir'd to put in Order and clean the  
Society's Punchons and Matrices, and that they <sup>be</sup> brought to the  
Society's House in Barslett's Buildings.

March 18. Min. 4. A Bill for Arabic Types from M<sup>r</sup>. Carlson was laid before the Committee viz. 123. 4. of Arabic Letters at 2/6 p<sup>er</sup> lb. 15. 8. 1/2  
3. Matrices Boxes at 2. each. . . . . 6.  
£ 15. 14. 1/2

Agreed that M<sup>r</sup>. Archdeacon Denne be desired to pay the said Bill.  
Min. 8. Agreed that M<sup>r</sup>. Bedford and M<sup>r</sup>. Sale be desired to inspect the Punchions and Matrices deliver'd up this Day by M<sup>r</sup>. Carlson to see that they are complete.

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April 8. Min. 12. M<sup>r</sup>. Bedford and M<sup>r</sup>. Sale reported that they had inspected the Arabic Punchions and Matrices sent in by M<sup>r</sup>. Carlson, and found they were all very exact to the best of their Knowledge, together with a Hold for casting the Letters.

22. Min. 11. Agreed that the Secretary deliver the Supernumerary Arabic Types to M<sup>r</sup>. Ackers, together with the Types last made by M<sup>r</sup>. Carlson to compleat a Font, in Order to their being sent properly pack'd up, as a Present to the University of Cambridge.

Min. 12. Agreed that such orthographical Marks as may be necessary to compleat the said Font, be taken out of the Society's Store.

Min. 13. Agreed that M<sup>r</sup>. Bedford be desired to write a proper Letter, in the Name of the Society, to accompany the said Font to Dr. Frankland Vicechancellor of the University of Cambridge.

29. Min. 7. M<sup>r</sup>. Bedford laid before the Committee an Account from M<sup>r</sup>. Ackers of a Dozen different Sorts of Arabick Letters still wanting to compleat the Font design'd for the University of Cambridge.

Min. 8. Agreed that M<sup>r</sup>. Carlson be desired to attend here next Thursday Even. by 6. a Clock, to receive Directions to make up the Deficiency mention'd.

May 1. Min. 14. Agreed that M<sup>r</sup>. Carlson be desired to attend the Committee next Tuesday, for the same Purpose that he was desired to attend the Society this Evening, and that it be finally left to the Committee to give such Directions as they shall think proper.

Min. 15. Agreed that the Deficiencies of the Arabic Font design'd for the University of Cambridge mention'd in the Min. of the 29. of April, be made up out of the Society's Font.

May 13<sup>th</sup>. Min. 6. <sup>to 3</sup> Mr. Carlson brought to the Committee <sup>9</sup> of Arabic Letters—English Body, to complete the Font design'd for the University of Cambridge, which at 2/6. <sup>to 5</sup> of £, was valued at <sup>to 6</sup> 1. 2. 6.

Min. 7. Agreed that Mr. Archdeacon Deane be desired to pay for the same.

27<sup>th</sup>. Min. 14. Mr. Bedford acquainted the Committee, that the Font of Arabic Types design'd to be presented to the University of Cambridge, were sent thither by the usual Carrier; And a Copy of a Letter sent with them to Dr. Frankland, Vice-Chancellor of Cambridge, was laid before the Committee and read.

June 3<sup>rd</sup>. Min. 7. Mr. Bedford laid before the Committee a Letter of the 29<sup>th</sup> of last Month, from the Rever. Dr. Frankland Vice-Chancellor of Cambridge, signifying that the Society's Present of an Arabic Font of Types was safely arriv'd at Cambridge, and thankfully accepted by the University.

July 3<sup>rd</sup>. Min. 4. Upon reading a Letter from Mr. Sherman of the 4<sup>th</sup> Feb. last; Agreed that Mr. Sherman be acquainted, that the Society apprehending that there would be a very great Expence for mending by hand all the Errata in 6000. Copies of the Psalter and 10,000. New Testaments, they cannot undertake more Charge than what is incident to the Impression and conveying the Books to Turkey, the Fund now in Hand being insufficient to defray even that, if they were to be all sent at once, unless they were to be sent in Quires.

Min. 5. Agreed that the Secretary look out against Tuesday next, what Promise has been made on the Part of the Society, relating to the defraying the Charge of sending the New Testam<sup>ts</sup> to Turkey.

8<sup>th</sup>. Min. 8. Minutes of the Society of the 10<sup>th</sup> of Octob. 1727. relating to the Engagment the Society had laid themselves under of defraying any Charges Mr. Sherman might be at about the Arabic Psalters and Testaments; and the Letter of the 14<sup>th</sup> of Octob. 1727. to Mr. Sherman, being read:

Min. 9. Agreed that Mr. Sale be desired to draw up a Letter to Mr. Sherman on the Subject of the Errata in the Psalter and New Testament in Arabic.

July 15<sup>th</sup> Min. 1. Upon reading a Letter of the 13<sup>th</sup> of March last from M. Sherman at Aleppo, putting the Society in mind of a Request he had formerly made of presenting the Patriarch of Antioch, with a Set of the Ancient Greek Fathers for the Publick Library there:

Min. 2. Agreed that M. Sherman be inform'd, that the Society are dispos'd to make such a Present as he recommends to them, as soon as they are in a Condition to do it, and can meet with a complete Set which are rarely to be met with all at once.

29<sup>th</sup> Min. 9. Agreed that 700. of the New Testament in Arabick remaining undispos'd of of the last Thousand Copies order'd to be bound, be put into a Condition to be sent by the next Ships bound for Turkey.

Aug. 7<sup>th</sup> Min. 3. The Secy acquainting the Committee that Copies of the N. Testament and Psalter in Arabic, were bound for a Present to his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales.

Min. 4. Agreed that the Rever. M. Dean Harris and M. Bedford be desir'd to present his Royal Highness with the said Books from the Society, at such time as M. Dean Harris shall appoint.

Min. 7. The Draught of a Letter pursuant to Min. 9. of the 8<sup>th</sup> of July to M. Sherman was laid before the Committee by M. Sale, and the same being read was approv'd; and M. Sale was desir'd to make a fair Copy, and the Secretary to forward it.

Min. 12. The Secretary reported that the Turkey Company had agreed to send the undermention'd Ships to Scandaroon the Middle of next Month viz.  
Hallifax Captain Butler. } Commanders.  
Great Cecilia Capt. Leacock }

Min. 13. Agreed that the Secretary endeavour to get Leave for shipping the 700. Copies of the N. Testament in Arabic remaining of the last Thousand order'd to be bound, on Board the said Ships as soon as may be, on the best Terms he can.

12. Min. 6. Agreed that M. Sale be desir'd to confer with M. Dadihi about the correcting the Mistake in the Arabic New Testament III Gal. 10. Verse 2

Aug. 12. Min. 7. Agreed that Mr. Sherman be desired to give Directions for correcting the same Mistake in all the Copies of the New Testament sent to him, before he disposes of them.

19. Min. 1. Upon reading a Letter from Mr. Bedford of this Day, recommending it to the Committee to employ Mr. Ackers for correcting the Error in the Arabic N. Testament. III Gal. 10. Verse; and also that they would lend the Arabic Font to Mr. Ackers to print an Arabic Grammar lately composed by Mr. Chappelow at Cambridge, being an Abridgment of Erpenius's, for the Use of the Students in that Language.

Min. 2. Agreed that Mr. Ackers be employed to correct the Mistake as mentioned, And that the other Proposal be recommended to the Direction of the Society, or a fuller Meeting.

Min. 3. Agreed that a Dozen N. Testaments in Arabic be bound neatly in Calfskin for Presents to be made by Mr. Sherman, as he shall have Occasion.

26. Min. 3. Mr. Sale laid before the Committee a fair Copy of the Draught he had made of a Letter to Mr. Sherman, on the Subject of the Errata in the New Testament in Arabic.

Min. 4. Agreed that the same be entered in the Society's Book, and then forwarded to Aleppo.

Sept. 2. Min. 3. Upon reading a Letter from Mr. Chappelow Arabic Professor at Cambridge dated the 26. of August, desiring the Lent of the Society's Arabic Font for printing an Abridgm<sup>t</sup>. of Erpenius's Arabic Grammar, for the Use of those Scholars that are disposed to learn that Language.

Min. 4. Agreed that it be recommended to the Society to lend their Font of Arabic Types for the Use propos'd.

4. Min. . . . Agreed that Mr. Ackers be desired to attend the Committee next Tuesday with the Arabic Grammar in Mss. sent to him from Cambridge to be printed.

9. Min. 1. Mr. Ackers attending without was call'd in, and laid before the Committee a Copy of the Arabic Grammar in Mss. sent by Mr. Chappelow Arabic Professor at Cambridge to be printed at London.

Sept. 9. Min. 2.

Agreed that the Society's Tent of Arabic Types be sent to Mr. Alkers to print the said MS, he giving a Note under his Hand for returning them safely.

Min. 3.

Mr. Sale inspecting the MS. observ'd that several of the Peculiarities of the Letters in the Alphabet and the Specimen of reading at the End differ'd very much from the true Oriental Pronunciation, and would bring the Learner into a Habit of reading & speaking the Language very corruptly; Upon which it was agreed, that Mr. Bedford or the Secretary acquaint Mr. Chappelow with this Objection, and that it be recommended to him to alter his Grammar in that respect, as shall be thought proper.

16. Min. 3.

The Secretary laid before the Committee a Bill from Samuel Grouther for making 6. Chests for the Arabic New Testaments going to Scanderoon amounting to £. 4. 12. 6. Agreed that Mr. Archdeacon Denne be desir'd to pay the same.

30. Min. 4.

An Account of Work done by Mr. Holmwood on Account of the Arabick Impressions, and Rent, was laid before the Committee and read, amounting to £. 16. 6.

Of which he had receiv'd . . . . . 30. —  
And that there remain'd due to him £. 61. 16. 6

Agreed that Mr. Archdeacon Denne be desir'd to pay the Balance of the Account.

Min. 8.

A Draught of a Letter to <sup>Mr.</sup> Sherman by the Ship now going to Scanderoon, was laid before the Committee and read & approv'd, and order'd to be forwarded.

Min. 10.

Mr. Sale reported that Mr. Chappelow Arabic Professor at Cambridge had been in Town, and call'd upon him to confer about the Objection that was made to the Arabic Grammar in MS. laid before the Committee the 9. Inst. and that he is so far satisfy'd in the Reasonableness of the Objection, as to resolve to get it remov'd as much as he can in the Impression of the said MS.

Oct. 2. Min. 14. The Secretary reported that the Society's Cargo of 712. Copies of the New Testament in Arabic, and 1870. Catechetical Instructions concerning the chief Truths of the Christian Religion were shipped on Board the *Hallifax* Captain Butler, and the *Great Cecilia* Capt. Peacock, — } *Command.*  
to Aleppo; And that Letters and Invoices had be sent in each Ship to M.<sup>r</sup> Sherman.

1729/30.  
Feb. 3. Min. 8. The Secretary reported from the Committee appointed to audit the Society's Accounts for last Year, that they had audited the same, and found the Receipts and Disbursements,

On Account of the Arabic Impressions were as follow viz.

Receipts by the Reverend M.<sup>r</sup> Arch-Deacon Denne viz. L. S. 2

Ballance due to the Society at last Audit. 264. 13. 10.

Casual Benefactions since last Audit. 142. 18. — L. S. 2

404. 11. 10

Payments by the Reverend M.<sup>r</sup> Arch-Deacon Denne since last Audit on said Account. — } 108. 11. 6½

Ballance remaining in Hand to be carried to the next Account } 296. —. 3½

1730.

May 12. Min. 8. Agreed that M.<sup>r</sup> Sherman at Aleppo be wrote to, to inform the Society, <sup>whether</sup> the New Testaments and Psalters in Arabick sent to him are distributed; and to what Places, and if they are, what Number more may be necessary to be sent by the next Ships to Turkey?

19. Min. 10. Upon reading a Letter from M.<sup>r</sup> Cholmondeley, desiring to know the Society's Pleasure about binding some Arabick New Testaments to be sent by the next Ships to Turkey:

Min. 11. Agreed that this matter be considered of at the next Meeting.

26. Min. 8. Agreed that the Binding of any more New Testaments in Arabic be suspended, till M.<sup>r</sup> Sherman has signify'd what Number may be wanted, and how those that have been sent are distributed.

June 2. Min. 3. The Committee being inform'd, that the Impression of the Arabic Grammar printed by the Direction of M<sup>r</sup>. Chappelow Professor of Arabick in Cambridge, was now finish'd:

Min. 4. Agreed that M<sup>r</sup>. Bedford be desired to give Directions for M<sup>r</sup>. Ackers's returning the Society's Font of Arabick Types to whom they were lent for this Service.

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from Octob. 11<sup>th</sup> 1720. to June 12<sup>th</sup> 1722.  
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